

Curriculum Newsletter Spring



YEAR 1 - TERM 4

The wonderful world of weather

Please enjoy reading this Curriculum Newsletter. It gives a brief overview of what your child will be learning in each subject area this term.

Maths

The children will build on prior learning and be looking at new ways to add and subtract numbers within 20, add more than 2 numbers and use counting on and back using a blank number line to help them. They will begin to develop a stronger recognition of the compliments to 10 and use this more to add numbers together. They will also look at what happens when you add or subtract 0.

They will then focus on position and direction, developing the language needed and begin to see how objects can turn clockwise and anti-clockwise. They will begin to link turns to half and quarter and explore how this can affect where an object will end up.

The last Unit of work this term is their first unit on Measure and will focus on measuring time. They will then develop an understanding of how an analogue clock can be used to tell the time.

English

As well as following our Phonics programme and learning the skills of reading and spelling, the children will revisit nouns and verbs and learn that adjectives are used to add description to nouns, applying this through visual literacy and the film 'Otherwise'. They will learn how to use exclamation marks and will write their own extended version of the story.

There will be lots of activities around books and authors during Book Week and World Book Day will feature highly when the children can come to school dressed as their favourite book character.

Towards the end of term, the children will write a Spring poem, utilising their knowledge of nouns, verbs and adjectives.

Religious Education

The children will learn about the period of Lent and the significance of Shrove Tuesday in the Christian calendar. They will learn more about Easter as an important Christian festival when the resurrection of Jesus Christ is celebrated as well as the meaning of forgiveness. Our value this term is 'Compassion' so they will learn what this means and how it has been demonstrated in a range of stories, including some from the Bible.

Science

The children will learn about a variety of local and global common animals. They will learn about the main body parts, dietary habits, common features and will be comparing and classifying animals after collecting and recording data about them. They will learn the difference between a carnivore, herbivore and omnivore.

Music

The children will be introduced the concept of timbre - learning that different sounds can represent characters and key events in a story. They will clap the syllables of words and phrases before creating rhythmic patterns. They will also learn to play D on the ocarina.

PSHE

The children will be learning all about being healthy, focusing on keeping healthy through healthier lifestyle choices. The children will learn the importance of keeping clean, being safe, understanding medicine safety/safety with household items, road safety and linking health with happiness.

Geography

The children will learn the name of two continents (Europe and Asia), what a continent is and that a country is a land or nation with its own government. They will learn about the four countries which make up the UK before studying the weather, directional language and how to use a compass.

Physical Education

The children will practise different stretched balances showing wide and narrow shapes and learn tucked jumps and perform run – jump, roll and stretched balance sequences. They will also build on ball skills to send and receive, learn foot control and dribbling.

Computing

The children will learn how computers can be used for grouping and sorting information. They will then learn about the functionality of the direction keys on a computer using the program 2Go.

Art

The children will continue learning about how secondary colours can be made from primary colours and explore printing techniques and create artwork in the style of an artist.

They will also create cards and crafts for Mother's Day and Easter.

More detailed information can be found on our website but if you have any queries about our curriculum, please speak to your child's class teacher.