

Dear Parents and Carers,

Re: Summer Term Curriculum Update

Below you will find a brief outline of the curriculum areas which we will be focusing upon in class throughout the Summer term.

Please note, that the list is a summary and is subject to change over the course of the term. It does, however, offer a little information to enable you to further-support your child's learning.

If you require any further information please do not hesitate to contact me.

<u>Core Subjects</u>	
Literacy	<p>We will be learning about:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Fictional writing; • Non-fiction writing. <p>We will also be focussing upon:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Writing for a purpose and audience; • Using paragraphs; • Using parenthesis accurately for a range of purposes; • Different sentence openers; • Varying sentence structure to change pace and build tension; • A variety of conjunctions. <p>These skills will be taught through topic work and through work based on 'Where the Forest meets the Sea'.</p> <p>In spelling sessions this year, all children will be learning spellings from the year group that they are in.</p> <p>Through Guided Reading sessions, shared reading in class and individual reading, the children will be taught the skills of using relevant quotations to support what they are saying. They will also further progress their inference skills and continue to learn about the layout and key features of texts as well as making comments about the writers language choices and how this impacts on the reader.</p>
Maths/ Numeracy	<p>This term in Maths, we will be covering the following areas:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Place Value and Number (including negative numbers); • Addition and Subtraction (including decimals); • Geometry (properties of shapes); • Fractions, Decimals and Percentages. • Multiplication and division (including money) • Measurement (volume and capacity) <p>Weekly x tables' tests will take place throughout the week, which will aid their understanding of times tables up to 12x12. Through continuous practice both in school and at home on TT Rockstars, this will greatly aid their speed and accuracy.</p>
Science	<p>Our Science topic this term is Teeth and the digestive system. During these lessons we will be learning about:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • How to identify the different types of teeth and their functions; • The basic parts of the digestive system; • Construct and interpret food chains; • Identify producers, predators and prey.

RE	Throughout the Spring Term, children will be focussing on: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Worldwide Church? • To explore cultural differences within the Worldwide Church.
<p>Foundation Subjects</p> <p>Our topic for the first half term is 'Crime and Punishment.' The Second half term we will be learning about Earthquakes and volcanoes.</p> <p>Throughout the foundation subjects, cross-curricular links will be developed and the children will be given regular opportunities to reinforce and use their Literacy and Numeracy skills.</p>	
History	This term, the children will learn about: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • How and why crime and punishment has changed over time; • Case studies such as 'The Bloody Code of 1815' ; • The transportation of prisoners; • The activism of the Suffragettes.
Computing	Our focus will be on Coding, learning specifically how to operate Scratch using speed, direction and co-ordinates.
Art/D.T	This term, children will focus on expressionism which is a term used to describe the emotions depicted and emphasised in images. Children will learn about Vincent Van Gogh and his piece of art 'Prisoners exercising'.
P.E.	PE this term will be on a Monday morning and Friday afternoon, where they will explore a range of sporting opportunities to develop their skills and fitness. Please ensure that the children to have kit in schools, long hair tied back and no jewellery.
MFL/ Music	Modern Foreign Language and Music will continue to be delivered by an outside provider.

Class Homework will be sent out every Monday and should be returned to school the following Thursday/Friday. Spellings will be sent out on a Monday and a test will take place on a Friday morning.

If I, or any member of the school team can be of any help then please do not hesitate to contact us.

Kind regards for an exciting term ahead.

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