



Red Class Curriculum Newsletter



Spring 2022



RE

This term we shall be learning about Islam through the topic 'What do Muslim's believe?'. We shall also be learning about a special festival celebrated around the world, Chinese New Year.



Maths

This term we are continuing to develop our recall of number bonds up to 5 and 10 in reception and up to 10 and then 20 in Year 1. We are looking at fact families when adding and taking away to help us to improve our mental addition and subtraction strategies.

As we work through maths this term we shall look at the four main operations in more detail with bigger numbers and using strategies such as; adding on, counting back, multiplying, sharing/ dividing and finding the difference to solve a variety of problems.

We shall explore 2D and 3D shapes in greater detail and look at height, weight and capacity as well as money and time.

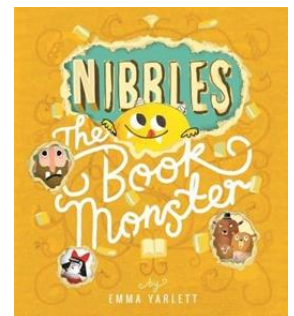


English and Reading.

Our English topic is to write a recount through diary writing using our new text 'Nibbles The Book Monster'.

We shall be learning to improve our writing

through using our phonics, learnt spellings, adjectives, conjunctions and sentence openers.



Spelling- YEAR 1 only

We are following our new whole school spelling programme – Pathway to Spelling. Each term a spelling overview will be sent home and tests will be every Friday. Each week ten spellings will be grouped in your child's homework book. Please help your child to learn their spellings each day in preparation for their test.



Science

This term our topic is 'Polar Places'. We shall be learning about the changes that take place between water, ice and snow. We shall be exploring and experimenting with the properties of different materials, as well as learning about a variety of living things in the polar regions.



IT

We shall continue to learn the importance of ESafety this term alongside our topic 'Coding- on the move'. This will involve lots of exciting opportunities to use programmable toys and App's such as Beebots, remote control robots and online coding programmes such as Espresso.



Spanish

We shall have Spanish lessons with our specialist MFL teacher, Mr Day. We shall be learning the number names in Spanish as well as reading and writing these. We shall continue to develop our work on colours and relate these to everyday objects in Spanish.



Music

During our lessons with our specialist music teacher, Mrs Whiteley, we shall be exploring using simple instruments to create our own compositions.



Geography

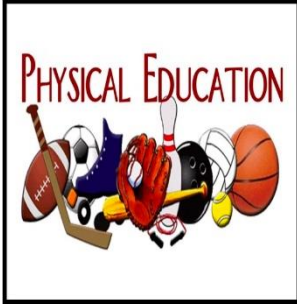
Our topic is 'people and their communities- where in the world do these people live?'

In this unit, we will learn about four different world journeys. Starting with the local area, then we will look at coastal, rainforest, dry (desert) and world city locations.



PSE

This term we are learning about me and my relationships. This topic will help us to explore how to build good friendships and relationships as well as how to treat others, accept differences and explore feelings.



PE

Our PE lessons for this term will be taken by the specialist teachers ASM, we will be looking at gymnastics and a weekly session with Mrs Hill focusing upon Dance.

General information

PE days: Wednesday and Thursday, please come in full School PE kit.

Homework: Homework will come home on Fridays and needs to be completed and submitted by the following Wednesday.

EYFS Reception- a termly overview will be stuck into your child's homework book. You will then be expected to choose 1 activity to complete each week. These can be done in any order to suit you and your child. Please only complete 1 a week.

At times, Education City may be set as homework, log in details will follow and will be stuck into the inside cover of the reading diaries.

Phonics- your child's homework book will contain the Read Write Inc Phonics letter sounds and words that they are expected to learn as the term progresses. Please refer to these often to help your child to continue to learn them.

Year 1- A piece of English and/or Maths will be set each week on a Friday, these will be matched to the weekly spellings and times tables. On occasion, they may link to the weekly lessons in English and Maths or areas of focus for your child.

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Lexia and TT Rockstars- please log in and practise as much as you can.

Home reading: Reading Diaries will be collected in every Friday. Each week, we ask for 3 signatures to be recorded in the diary.

Reading books

In Red class your child shall be taught and heard to read through daily guided reading sessions. Staff will listen to your child read their home reading book once a week and change them according to the new reading scheme policy. If you require additional support or have any questions regarding the teaching or reading and how home reading supports this, please contact me.

If you have any questions, please come and chat to us or email me at- jhill@tmpf.staffs.sch.uk

Many thanks for all your help and support for the upcoming year.