



# Yellow's Curriculum Newsletter



## Autumn 2022

Welcome back!

I hope you have all had a great summer and that your child(ren) is/are excited for their next academic year at Bishop Rawle.



### RE

Our RE focus is the Creation story. We will discuss and make sure we understand the story and work on retelling it accurately. We will also explore why the Day of Rest is important. Later on in the term, we will have a special focus on Harvest.

### Maths



This term we will be starting with number and place value, working on counting, identifying and representing numerals. We will move onto addition and subtraction and will work hard to recall addition and subtraction facts to 20. We will begin with practical methods and then progress onto pictorial and abstract. Our Geometry focus will be on 2D shapes and their properties. Each week, we will practise our times tables, using the very popular Times Tables Rock Stars! Please give children the opportunity to enjoy this at home too.



### English and Reading.

Our English lessons we will be using the text, 'Supertato' by Sue Hendra to create lists, descriptive sentences and a character description for a 'Wanted' poster. In Guided Reading, we will develop reading skills whilst enjoying the story 'The Troll.'

### Spelling/Phonics

We are following the whole school spelling programme – Pathway to Spelling. Spelling lessons will be taught and each week, there will be a spelling test. Each term a spelling overview will be sent home and spelling tests will be every Friday. For Phonics, we will continue to use Read, Write, Inc to learn, practise and apply new sounds.



### Science

This term our topic is 'Our local environment.' We will explore living and non-living things. We will learn about habitats and how they are suited to the different needs of plants and animals.

## IT



E- Safety will be our starting point this half term, which will then be continually touched upon throughout the year.



## Spanish

Mr Day will be wowing us with his Spanish knowledge and we will learn a range of core Spanish vocabulary. Children will also practise greeting each other in Spanish!



## Music

We are lucky to have Music lessons taught by Mrs Whitely fortnightly on a Wednesday.



## Geography

In Geography, we will be learning about the seasons, including the different types of weather and understanding why these changes occur. Children will also be able to discuss the four seasons in the UK, using subject-specific vocabulary.



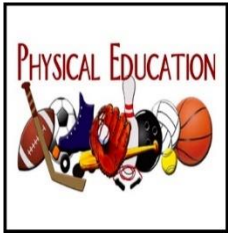
## PSE

This half term, our focus will be 'Me and my relationships.' We will explore the different types of relationships and will discuss the importance of friendships, as well as looking at the characteristics of a healthy friendship.



## Art

Our Art work will be inspired by our Geography and History topics. We will look at the use of colour, shape and pattern, with a focus on Andy Goldsworth and his nature art.



## PE

Our two PE lessons will be taken by the specialist teachers at ASM and myself. We will be focusing on games and team building. The children will have opportunities to develop their throwing, catching, rolling and kicking skills, as well as making decisions on positions, interception and retrieving.

### General information

PE days: Tuesday and Thursday, please come in full School PE kit. Please remove all jewellery and earrings.

Homework: A piece of English and Maths will be set each week on a Friday, this may be set using Education City. Homework needs to be completed and submitted by the following Wednesday.

As mentioned, children will have an account on Times Tables Rock Stars. They love playing this whilst really improving their fluency and accuracy of their times tables.

Home reading: Reading Diaries will be collected in every Friday. Each week, we ask for 3 signatures to be recorded in the diary. (More than that is great!) A small amount of play time (up to 3 minutes) will be missed if children have not read at home.

If you have any questions, please come and chat to me or email me at [hevans@tmpf.staffs.sch.uk](mailto:hevans@tmpf.staffs.sch.uk)

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