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Monday 9th January 2023

Dear parents and carers,

Re: Spring Term Curriculum Update

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

Core Subjects					
Literacy	We will be learning about:				
	 Poetry; Fiction – oral and written retelling; Narratives and description. 				
	We will also be focusing on:				
	 Securing the use of known graphemes and phonemes in order to correctly spell words used in writing; Consolidating splitting and blending phonemes to aid reading; Exploring sentence structure and the key areas of sentence writing. 				
	In Year 1, we will have daily phonics lessons to help teach, strengthen and support phonetic knowledge. Phonics is an important lesson within Year 1, as it is the building blocks of reading and writing;				
	Through Guided Reading sessions, shared reading in class and individual reading, the children will be taught how to infer information, along with developing their tone, fluency and expression. To gain understanding of the texts they read, children will				

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	be asked to retell stories as well as answering questions to show their understanding of the text and their use of learnt phonics.					
Maths/ Numeracy	 This term in Maths, we will be covering the following areas: Place Value; Measurement; 3-D Shape; During these lessons we will begin to explore numbers 50 to 100, sequencing them and using them in different forms of problem solving. Furthermore, we will investigate different shape and begin to develop a better understanding of 3-d shapes.					
Science	Our Science topics this term will be 'Polar Places' and 'Celebrations'. During these lessons we will be learning about: Different climates around the world; Materials and their properties; Sound and light; 					
RE	 The spring term will allow the class to look at: The Muslim Faith; The Easter Story. 					
Wider Curriculum						
Throughout the Wider Curriculum, cross-curricular links will be developed and the children will be given regular opportunities to reinforce and use their Literacy and Numeracy skills.						
History	This term, the children will be learning:					
•	 About famous explorers from around the world; How to discuss and critically view actions of explorers from the past; About how explores use to travel and live. 					

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Geography	graphy During the spring term, children will be:				
		igating people in their local community; events;			
Computing	This Term, our focus will be on:				
	• Codi	ng.			
Art	This term children will be looking at weaving and using this technique to create artwork.				
D&T	This term children will be looking at mechanisms, including pulleys and levers.				
P.E.	PE will be taught by ASM on a Wednesday and Friday afternoon. Please remember to have kit in schools, long hair tied back and no jewelry, including earrings.				
P.S.H.E –	This term, we will be learning about:				
Personal, Social and	Ence the new				
Health	Emotions;Ambitions.				
Education					
Music	Mrs. Whiteley will deliver our Music lessons throughout the year.				
Year 1's Weekly Schedule					
Monday					
Tuesday		Homework in;			
		 Reading Books Changed; 			
Wednesday		Homework outP.E.			
Thursday					
Friday		P.E.Library Books ChangedReading Books Changed			

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After a fantastic first term, we are heading into spring with lots of fun and intriguing things in store! Please note there has been a change in our Year 1 Timetable – Homework is now to be handed in on a Tuesday and will be given out on a Wednesday. With our reading book, please make sure they have been read 3 time and the reading journal signed to reflect this. Once they have been read 3 times, they will then be changed.

I am looking forward to the term ahead and I am sure that you are too! 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.

Mr Casey Year 1 Class Teacher

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