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Friday 11<sup>th</sup> April 2024

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.

Core Subjects			
English	We will be learning about:		
	<ul> <li>Letter Writing;</li> <li>Fiction – oral and written retelling;</li> <li>Narratives and description.</li> </ul>		
	We will also be focusing on:		
	<ul> <li>Securing the use of known graphemes and phonemes in order to correctly spell words used in writing;</li> <li>Consolidating sound clusters and letter formation.</li> <li>Exploring sentence structure and the key areas of sentence writing.</li> </ul>		
	In Year 1, we will continue to 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 be asked to retell stories as well as answering questions to show their understanding of the text and their use of learnt phonics.		

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Maths/ Numeracy	<ul> <li>This term in Maths, we will be covering the following areas:</li> <li>Number;</li> <li>Shape;</li> <li>Addition and Subtraction;</li> <li>Measure.</li> </ul>		
	During these lessons we will continue to secure numbers up to and past 100, independently solving more complex problems both word-based and number-based, and practising more formal methods.		
Science	Our Science topics this term will be 'On Safari' and 'Holiday'. During these lessons we will be learning about:		
	<ul> <li>Vertebrates and Invertebrates,</li> <li>Habitats around the world;</li> <li>Materials and their uses;</li> </ul>		
RE	The Summer term will allow the class to look at:		
	<ul> <li>How Christians and people of faith talk to God;</li> <li>What do Christians believe God is like?</li> </ul>		
<u>Wider Curriculum</u>			
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:		
	<ul> <li>Great inventors and scientists;</li> <li>The difference between technology now to that found in the past;</li> <li>How transport has changed daily life.</li> </ul>		
Geography	During the Summer term, children will be:		
	<ul> <li>Investigating animals and their habitats;</li> <li>Continents and countries;</li> <li>Climate and weather.</li> </ul>		

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Computing	This Term, our focus will be on:	
	<ul><li>E-Safety and Digital Literacy.</li><li>Digital Art</li></ul>	
Art/D.T	This term, children will be improving their art skills through creating artistic works based on animals and their patterns.	
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 jewellery.	
P.S.H.E – Personal, Social and Health Education	<ul> <li>This term, we will be learning about:</li> <li>Positive thinking;</li> <li>Why it is best to be ourselves.</li> </ul>	
Music	Mrs. Whiteley will deliver our Music lessons throughout the year.	

Year 1's Weekly Schedule			
Monday			
Tuesday	<ul><li>Homework in;</li><li>Reading Books Changed;</li></ul>		
Wednesday	<ul><li>Homework out</li><li>P.E.</li></ul>		
Thursday			
Friday	<ul> <li>P.E.</li> <li>Library Books Changed</li> <li>Reading Books Changed</li> </ul>		

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WOW - It is hard to believe that we have already reached the final term of Year 1! During this final term, we will continue to look at lots of interesting topics, getting muddy in our Forest School adventures, showing just how much we have learnt in our Year 1 Phonics Check and having lots of fun on our class trip – so many things to look forward to!

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.

The class email is - <u>yearone@tmpf.staffs.sch.uk</u>

Kind regards for an exciting final term ahead.

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