Year 1 Curriculum Newsletter Spring Term 2023



Welcome back! We hope you enjoyed your break!

Below is a selection of the areas that your child will be studying over the next term. Additionally, in Art this term we will be learning about how we make different shades of colour and learning about artist Wassily Kandinsky.

Class texts

For our end of day reads and stories linked to our topic lessons, we will be reading The Proudest Blue by Ibtihaj Muhammad, Little Cloud by Anne Booth & Sarah Massini and Everyday Materials.

<u>RWI</u>

(Read Write, Inc) This term we will be teaching the children Set 2 and Set 3 phonic sounds. They will be practising to read alien words and real words during their daily RWI lessons. Remember to look out for the RWI links that will be posted each week so that you can continue to support your child.

Science

In Spring 1, we will be learning about different materials and describing their properties. Our second topic next half term is all about the seasons. We will explore the changes across the seasons and discuss the weather patterns.

Geography

Over the term we will be continuing to learn all about the four seasons. We will be looking closely at the different weather patterns that occur across the seasons. We will also be identifying places that are the hottest and coldest on Earth and what life is like in these countries.

PSHCE

(Physical, Social, Health, Citizenship & Health) PSHCE is taught through daily reflections, assemblies and PSHCE days. This term the children will be continuing to focus on their health and well-being.

<u>Maths</u>

This term we will be focusing on numbers to 50. The children will be learning to order numbers correctly, say what one more and one less than a number is, add and subtract amounts using a range of manipulatives and learn to problem solve.

<u>English</u>

In Spring 1, we will be focusing on oracy and sentence composition. We will then read and discuss The Gruffalo and write a fact file about an animal found from the story.

History

Our history topic is all about the history of toys. The children will be learning about the similarities and differences between past and present toys. They will also be placing toys on a timeline and learning about the history of the Teddy bear.

Computing

This half term we will recap the importance of staying safe online. We will be also learning about grouping & sorting using a variety of criteria and how to represent data as pictograms. The children will be completing a variety of activities on Purple Mash.

Religious Education

In RE, the children will be learning about Islam. They will be taught about the culture and beliefs of Muslims. They will also learn about the celebrations that happen in Islam and the significance of these. Children will be able to make comparisons to their own beliefs.

<u>REMINDER</u>

- Meet the teacher information and phonics information session on Thursday 12th January 8:40 9:15 in the Arc Hall
- **Read** every day for 20 minutes at least and ensure an adult signs their reading record everyday once the child has written a sentence.
- Practise their **spellings** ready for their test each Monday.
- Homework is sent home on Fridays and must be returned on or before the following Wednesday.