

<u>YEAR GROUP 1</u> <u>AUTUMN TERM 2020</u> <u>CURRICULUM NEWSLETTER</u>

Dear Parents and Carers,

We hope you have had a restful summer break. We look forward to an exciting Autumn Term. We will be starting our new knowledge based curriculum and we will be sending home the knowledge organisers that go alongise certain subjects.

During the term the children will be working on numbers to 10 and then 20, including
addition, subtraction and place value. In the second half term we will be looking at 2D
and 3D shapes.
During this term the children will be focussing on quality children's texts and will learn
to use capital letters, finger spaves, punctuation and line placement in their writing.
Each child's reading progress will be monitored every week and the children will also
take part in a weekly guided reading session. There will be a daily phonics or spelling
lesson and handwriting lessons where the children will be practising correct letter
formation and line placement.
In Geography the children will be exploring maps. We will be looking at aerial views
and the 4 compass points.
In Science the first half term the children will learn about the human body, exploring
our senses and investigating our sense of sight, hearing, taste and touch. In the second
half term we will be looking at animals and their needs and how to care for a pet.
In Art the children will be exploring colour. We will be looking at primary colours,
secondary colours and warm and cool tones. The children will be exploring brush
strokes by creating their own version of Monet: painting the sea.
In DT the children will be planning, making and evaluating an animal puppet.
In the first half term the children will be learning about beleifs and practices of
Christianity, Islam and Judaism. In the second half term we will be looking at how light
is used in certain celebrations and why Christmas is important to Christians.
Children will be using a variety of software programmes. They will be learning how to
use algorithms to programme simple moveable toys.
The children will start with games, learning how to avoid opponents, keep the ball and
score points. After half term they will have a dance unit.

<u>Uniform</u>- Please ensure your child has the correct uniform and footwear. Earring should be studs and no jewellery should be worn unless faith related.

<u>Water</u>- Children may bring a bottle of water each day, they also have access to the drinking fountain at all playtimes.

Home Learning- Your child is expected to read daily at home. Please ensure that you listen to them read and sign their reading diary. Children will be set weekly spellings and will be tested



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on a Friday. A choice of homework will be set termly and children should strive to complete as many of the activities as they can, we look forward to viewing and celebrating their work.

If you have any questions please feel free to come and speak to us at the end of the day.

Kind Regards,

Year 1 Team