

Summer Term 2020

Dear Parents,

I hope that you are all well and managing to stay safe during these difficult times. This letter will give you an overview of the learning that your child should be focusing on throughout the Summer Term. To help you and your child access this learning, we will be providing you with a new home learning document each week. The activities in this document are designed to be accessible for you and the children at home. Please remember you are doing an amazing job and thank you!

Guided Reading & Individual Reading:

Once a week we will publish guided reading materials online for your children. These texts are fully interactive and are accompanied by questions and activities that help to develop your child's comprehension skills. We will also allocate new individual reading books to your child. They should aim to access these reading books every day. We also encourage your child to partake in active discussions about what they have been reading with an adult or other family member. This will help to develop their communication and language skills.

English:

This term, we will start work on a non - fiction text. We will explore the different types of punctuation that are used at KS1 and will learn about the features of non - fiction texts. We will also be using speech bubbles to add extra information and creating a glossary of words.

After this, we will be writing a fantasy text. This will be based on Dragons and will give the children the opportunity to create their own dragons and use adjectives and other powerful vocabulary to create a descriptive text.

Maths:

In maths this term, we will be learning how to measure, creating simple graphs and charts, learning about giving directions, learning to tell the time and taking part in simple mathematic investigations. We will continue to learn about place value and use this to secure our understanding of number.

Science: Seasons

We will be learning about the four seasons. We will be thinking about common changes that happen through the four seasons and which months are associated with each.

P.S.H.E:

In PSHE this term we will be studying the topic 'Living in the Wider World'.

We will begin by thinking about house and school rules and why they are in place. We will then consider the groups we belong to and how we could get help in an emergency. Our next topic will focus on looking after our local environment. Finally, we will learn about where money comes from, making choices about spending money and how to keep track of money spent and saved.

Geography – Animals and their Habitats:

In this unit, we will consider where some animals can be found in the world. We will be learning about the different continents and seas and how climates vary.

History- Great Inventions

We will be learning about different great inventions and will consider how and why they changed the world we live in.

PE: Keeping active

Given that children will not have access to all the equipment and facilities that we have at school to do the sports we would have been focusing on, I would just like to stress the importance of keeping active. We will be looking at different activities that can be done in the home or during your daily exercise that will continue to build on the children's agility, balance and co-ordination.

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We will begin by continuing to learn about Jewish people. We will then consider the key question: How should we care for the world and for others, and why does it matter? Looking at these questions in the context of Judaism, Islam and Christianity.

Music:

The children will continue to learn about rhythm, pitch, tempo, timbre and dynamics through different activities.

Computing

Story tellers - We will be producing a talking book . This will involve making recordings and understanding how a talking book differs from a paper copy.

Celebrations- we will learn how to create a digital card. During this unit, we will be developing basic keyboard skills, adding pictures and editing, retrieving and storing our work.

Art and Design Technology

In art we will be exploring light and dark tones to create a piece of Chinese art in the style of the 'Willow Pattern Story' plates.

In DT we will be learning about wheels and axels to make a simple moving toy.

Thank you all for your continued support during this period of home learning. Please do not forget that you are not alone during these challenging times. If you have any questions or need any support please do not hesitate to contact us. I look forward to seeing you all again when we return to school. We are all missing the children!

Stay safe,

Miss Nicholls