

Curriculum letter - Turtles and Tahrs

Summer Term 2018

This term, we will be covering all areas of the Key Stage 1 curriculum through exciting and engaging cross curricular activities. Our topics will be; 'Explorers' and 'Beside the Seaside.'

In <u>English</u>, the children will have the opportunity to write in a variety of styles including; stories, recounts, poetry, fact files, postcards, letters and diaries. The children will learn to use and understand features of non-fiction texts, and develop comprehension of fiction through the stories we read as a class and in guided reading.

In <u>Maths</u> we will be investigating number, shape, space and measures, and handling data through a variety of activities. The children will be exploring number order and patterns, working out calculations using the four number operations, naming 2D and 3D shapes and looking at their properties, comparing and using measures and telling the time using an analogue clock.

<u>Topic work</u>

Our <u>Science</u> topic this term is 'Plants'. The children will be learning about different plants, what they need to grow and where they come from. The children will also have the opportunity to grow a plant.

In <u>History</u> the children will be looking at the Explorers and focusing on Christopher Columbus and comparing him to Neil Armstrong, a famous explorer we looked at in the Autumn term. Whilst in <u>Geography</u> they will be learning about our seaside towns and their key features.

In other areas, children will be learning computer skills in <u>Computing</u>, such as coding and using technology purposefully. Computer safety will also be taught. The children will be using a variety of media to create <u>Art</u> focusing on the artists Lowry and Joan Miro, and in <u>DT</u> they will be designing and creating their own puppet. In <u>PE</u>, development of skills and control will take place in a range of games, gymnastic and dance lessons. In <u>Music</u>, the children will explore sounds and duration as well as learning to play the percussion instruments. Our <u>RE</u> this term concentrates on Islam- community











and belonging and Judaism- rites of passage. In <u>PSHE</u> we will look at ways to get along with and respect each other.

Spanish and PE will be taught on Wednesday afternoon; both classes will have PE on Mondays.

We will continue to send reading books home on a daily basis. These will be changed on a Monday, Wednesday and Friday. It would be wonderful if you could find quality time to hear your child read every day and to discuss the text with them. Please sign the yellow reading record book each time you do this. We will send English and maths homework on a Friday, this is due back by the following Thursday. Spellings will be sent home on a Monday for the children to learn for a test the following Monday.

If you have any concerns please don't hesitate to come and see us. We are always available after school.

Thank you,

Miss Turner, Miss Tirmizi and Mrs Nelson.











