

Year 1 Curriculum Letter Spring 2018



This letter and further information about the curriculum can be accessed from our Website: www.stjosephsbillingham.org.uk

Subject-Learning Objectives/Skills	How you can support at home.
<p><u>Geography/History</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Local area. Developing an awareness of the past. Name and locate the four countries and capital cities of the UK. Use geographical language. 	<p>Talk about geographical features of our local area e.g. beach (Seaton), woodland (Cowpen Bewley Woodland Park), nature reserve (Salholme), places to go (town centre, John Whitehead Park), things to do (swimming, ice-skating), etc.</p>
<p><u>Science</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Seasonal changes. Materials. 	<p>Talk about the weather and how it changes over the different seasons. Look for signs of seasonal changes.</p> <p>Investigate different materials - look at the materials objects are made from and talk about why.</p>
<p><u>Computing</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Maze Explorers (giving directions/coding). Animated Stories. Safer Internet Day 	<p>If you have a computer/laptop/tablet at home help your child type so that they become familiar with upper case and lower case correspondence.</p> <p>Use Purple Mash at home - encourage your child to practise logging on independently. Your child's log in card will be sent home with further information.</p>
<p><u>PE</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Dance. Ball skills. 	<p>Practise getting dressed and undressed independently. Talk to your child about the importance of looking after their own property. Please ensure that your child's name is inside their kit.</p>
<p><u>Art/DT (linked to topic)</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Building castles. Paul Klee 'Castles in the Sun.' 	<p>Year 1's homework project will support this.</p>
<p><u>PSHCE</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> SEAL Going For Goals. Good To Be Me. 	<p>Talk to them about the goal they have set themselves to achieve, and support them in achieving this.</p>
<p><u>Music:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Exploring pitch. Exploring beat. 	<p>Making music from everyday materials.</p>

Information about the RE curriculum is provided on a separate sheet.

Homework:

Children will get a Read, Write Inc. book, homework and spellings on a Wednesday. Your child's reading book and homework book are to be returned on a Monday. If homework is not brought into school on time children may lose Dojos.

Homework project:

This term the children will have a homework project linked to our learning about castles. Please see your child's homework book.

PE:

Children must have a full PE kit in school every day otherwise there will be a loss of Dojo points. Please ensure that your child's name is on their PE kit.

Clubs:

Information to follow.

Phonics Check:

The week commencing Monday 11th June is the Year 1 Phonics Screening Check. All children in England take part in this phonics based check and the results will be used to determine how well children are performing in reading. In class children are given a range of opportunities to develop their phonic knowledge, along with regular RWI lessons. Although we give the children every opportunity to do this it is still important to support your child at home.

The Friends of St Joseph meet every Tuesday morning at 9.00 for a coffee morning. This is a very supportive group for the school and all parents are welcome to come along.

May I take this opportunity to remind you that if you have any concerns please contact me at the earliest opportunity. Also if you have any suggestions, ideas or resources that you feel could support our curriculum please speak to a member of staff.

Thank you for your continued support,

Mrs M Bradshaw