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Year 1 Curriculum Information Sheet - Autumn Term 2018

Dear Parents/Carers,

I hope you have had a lovely summer holiday and welcome to Year 1. Your child's class teacher this year will be Miss Keighley. The children will also be supported in their learning by Mrs Balmond and Miss Mountain. Together we hope to create a safe, loving and exciting environment for your child to continue to build on their achievements made during Foundation Stage.

As children learn better when they are well hydrated, we ask for you to send a water bottle into school which is clearly labelled with your child's name. The water bottles will be freshly filled each morning so will not be required to go home each night. Milk is available for snack time, please speak to Mrs Hunter or Mrs Dixon in the office if you wish to pay for your child to have this.

After October half term, it is essential that each child has indoor pumps as well as their outdoor shoes to change into. Please ensure these are provided for the start of school after October half term. Your child will also be expected to remember their bag and reading books every day.

Our themes for the two half terms will be 'Pocahontas' which will look at Native Americans and the discovery of North America, and 'Toy Story' where the class will explore how toys have changed through time and also link nicely with our Space Week.

PE –

PE lessons this term are timetabled for Tuesdays and Wednesdays. On these days, your child will need a clearly labelled P.E. kit in school. This should include black shorts, white t-shirt, pumps and trainers. A tracksuit can be worn for outdoor PE in cold weather. During this term we will be encouraging children to get changed independently which will include fastening their own buttons and shoes.

Reading at Home

Children will be sent home with reading scheme books and reading record books; your child needs to bring these to school every day (to be changed at least once per week). In the new record books there is also a guide for the phonics we teach in school. This can be used at home for children to practise their sounds and high frequency words. Please ensure you read with your child on a regular basis and remember to sign the reading record to inform staff of pages read and any difficulties the children may have come across.

I strongly believe that reading with your child at home has the biggest impact on their learning experience and so hope to foster a love for learning in my classroom this year with a new and exciting reading challenge which will be introduced soon.

I have attached a copy of a topic web, detailing what we will be studying in each area of the curriculum this term. If you have any queries, questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to see me after school and ask, or make an appointment for a convenient time.

Thank you for your continued support.

Yours faithfully,

Miss Keighley and the Year 1 team

Science

- Waterproof materials
- Space Week
- Grouping animals from around the world.
- Name and describe a variety of common animals.
- Carnivores, herbivores & omnivores
- Seasonal changes - Autumn to Winter.

R.E.

God's Great Plan

- Be aware of the story of creation and the beauty of God's world.
- Hear the story of Noah and the Flood.

Mary, Mother of God

- Listen and respond to the story of the Annunciation.
- Recognise some signs and symbols of Advent and Christmas.

Computing

- Basics of how to use a computer.
- Internet research.
- Programmable toys & coding.
- E-safety.
- Online learning journals.
- Comparing old and new technology.

Art / Design

Technology

- Colour mixing
- Tracing
- Chalks and pastels
- Famous Artists
- Fimo modelling
- Toy making
- Wigwams

History

- Native Americans
- Influential women from history
- Christopher Columbus & the discovery of America

Toys through time

- Toys children play with now.
- Victorian Christmas toys.
- Look at changes through time.

Year 1 - Autumn

Pocahontas



Toy Story



Geography

- Seven continents
- Compass points and directions
- UK countries
- Capital cities of the UK

P.E.

- Independently getting changed.
- Warm up / Cool down.
- Team games; importance of working together.
- Multi-skills
- Skipping

Literacy

- Recount
- Instruction writing
- Letters
- Diary entries
- Cards and lists
- Biographies
- Narrative
- Space poem

Numeracy

- Place value
- Counting; one and one less
- Counting in 2s, 5s, and 10s
- 2D and 3D shapes
- Position and direction
- Number bonds to 10 and 20
- Calculations using addition and subtraction