



Class One Curriculum Link Letter for Term 4

Dear Parents,

Welcome back to Term 4. This letter is designed to give you an overview of the exciting learning that will be taking place in Class 1 this term.

Our topic this term is 'Our Local Area'. We will be learning about the area around our school and beyond.

In Geography, we will be learning about maps and as part of this we will be creating maps of our school and the area nearby and also looking at what makes Bristol as an exciting city to live in.

Our Science will be focused on life cycles. We will be looking at frog spawn and the changes that happen when frogs develop. There are lots of seasonal changes happening right now and you can help at home by talking about how animals and plants change as they grow.

We will be learning about how to be responsible citizens in our PHSE lessons and will think about what this means in school and when we are out and about in our communities. Again, this is something you can support with by talking with your children about how we help and look after one another and the world in which we live.

We will learn about stories that are special in different religions and what they mean to people.

In English, we will be looking at non-fiction texts to link with our science work. We will be learning how to write compound sentences using 'and' or 'because' to link our ideas. We will continue to focus on using capital letters and full stops correctly and begin to use question marks and explanation marks in our writing. We will be building on our phonic skills this term, learning new spelling patterns as well as continuing to revisit sounds learnt in Reception – we will particularly be looking at different spellings of the same sound. Look out for the new spelling list that will be sent home and also published on our class webpage.

We will be learning about 'money' in Maths, specifically identifying coins and using them to make different amounts. In number, we will be beginning multiplication and division by grouping and sharing in 10s and 2s.

Homework will continue this term and will be an opportunity for you and your child to talk about what they have been doing in school and consolidate their learning.

We will be celebrating 'World Poetry Day' on March 21st – perhaps you could try and find your favourite poem to share with us in class.

Please do ask any member of the Year 1 Team if you have any questions about our learning or how you can support at home.

With best wishes,

The Year 1 Team