



Summer 1

KS1 Curriculum Newsletter



Dear Parents/Carers,

Welcome back after the half term, we hope that you all had a restful break. We are now into our first half of the Summer term and have lots more exciting learning planned for your child. This is the work that the children will be covering over the following term in KS1:

History:

This half term we will be carrying out a study of the space travel and exploration since the moon landing. We will be exploring different astronauts and gaining an understanding of how the moon landing changed the future.



DT:

In DT, we will be looking at our new topic of food linked to 'Enterprise Day'. To start we will look at how to maintain a healthy diet, exploring the 'Eat-well Plate'. We will evaluate food groups and hygiene in our practise, then we will identify and choose the fruits that we want to use in our special 'fruit kebabs' to be marketed and sold during Enterprise Day.

Science:

In Science, we will be learning all about plants and the science behind growth and repopulation. We will study how plants grow, create food and reproduce through a series of investigations, outdoor learning and experimentation to help secure our knowledge during 'planting season'.



PE:

This half term our indoor PE lessons will focus on 'competitive sport' and our outdoor PE lessons will focus on 'Basketball', practising skills and technique for game-based play.

PE days:

Puffins: Monday & Friday
Robins: Monday & Wednesday
Owls: Tuesday & Thursday

RE:



In RE this half term, our enquiry question is 'What is the 'good news' Christians believe Jesus brings?' In this unit we will be learning about Incarnation, Gospel and Salvation and how it fits into the Christian 'Big Story'. We will also be learning about Jesus' teachings to Christians.

PSHE:

Our topic for PSHE this half term is 'Health and Well-being'. We will learn about physical and mental wellbeing and keeping safe. We will look at the importance of sleep, ways to manage feelings and change and loss (including death).



Computing:

We will be completing our Information Technology unit this half term. In this unit we will learn about what the internet is, how to use search engines, how to conduct safe searches and ways to help us distinguish between real facts and fake news.



Music:

Linking to our Victorians topic, we will be listening to a variety of music created during the Victorian era. This half term allows us opportunities to perform songs as part of a group. We will be learning some Victorian songs such as 'Daisy Bell' and 'I do like to be beside the seaside'.



Please ensure your child is always fully prepared for the school day with their school bag, reading record & reading book, homework, and anything else they may have been asked to bring in.



Home Learning:

- Read at home for 15-20 minutes every day
- Practice spellings
- Learn times tables
- Create one example from the half termly project list



Home Reading: Please ensure that your child reads 5 times a week

Reading Challenge

5 x= Green
2/3/4= Yellow
0/1= Red

If your child achieves green for the week, they will be entered into a special prize draw!



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Twitter Pages

Each class has a Twitter page which is updated regularly. You can see all the exciting things we have been getting up to in school and how hard the children are working. Please follow us to keep updated!



Puffins: @GatesPuffin
Robins: @GatesRobins

Only books that children take home from school will go towards the reading challenge – either the home reader or a book from the 100 Book Challenge. This will ensure that your child is reading books appropriate for their ability.

Owls: @Gates_Owls



Seesaw is an app we use to track your child's learning and progress throughout the year.

We will send out additional information on how you can view your children's work as well as how to use this app to share WOW moments from home with us in school.