

Welcome back to the Summer Term!

We hope you all had a restful and enjoyable Easter. We look forward now to Summer term in Year 1!

Year 1 Curriculum Overview- Summer term 1ST HALF TERM- Splendid Skies 2nd HALF TERM- Rio de Vida!

Subject	Learning Intentions	How parents can help
Literacy	We will be using a variety of books and poetry as a stimulus for our work in Literacy as well as	Continue to read daily with and to your child.
Reading,	engaging in non-fiction writing. We will explore and	Visit libraries and bookshops,
Phonics and	compose a variety of texts including:	talking about books.
Writing	- Weather poetry	Help your child to become
_	- Weather reports	more adventurous with their
	 Stories in familiar settings 	sentences- can they use
	- Postcards	describing words (adjectives)
	- Information reports	and more ambitious
	- Carnival poetry	vocabulary?
		Ensure your child is using a
	Year 1 will continue developing their understanding	full stop and capital letter
	of some key grammatical principles as well as	more consistently when
	working towards the creation of longer pieces of	writing letters, diaries or
	independent writing. The focus for grammar in the	stories at home, for example.
	term ahead includes:	Ensure handwriting is neat and
	- Using the prefix un-	legible with ascenders taller
	- Using the suffixes -ing, -ed, -er, -est, -s or -	than the other letters and
	es	descenders below the line.
	 Joining words and clauses using 'and' 	
	 Using capital letters correctly 	
	In Phonics, we will continue to 'grow the code' by	
	learning new and reviewing taught grapheme-	
	phoneme-correspondences. In reading and phonics	
	lessons children will have plenty of opportunities	
	to apply 'the code' to segment and blend longer	
	words and continue to use phonics to support their	
	writing.	

Maths	 We will be exploring a range of different topics including: Fractions of shapes and amounts Positional language Place Value within 100 Weight Capacity & Volume Addition & Subtraction Time Multiplication & Division We will be applying these into different contexts and exploring these in a practical manner and as written word problems. We'll continue to using a range of different maths manipulatives as practical exploration helps to secure key concepts 	Make maths fun! Play games. Use NumBots (little and often!) Use quick fire questions to extend the children's mental maths. Secure number bonds to 10 and 20 (6+4 or 16+4) Ensure children understand the place value of digits in two-digit numbers, e.g. 36= 30 and 6 or '3 tens and 6 ones' Help your child to feel confident counting to and from 100 and to and from different numbers.
Topic History Geography D&T Art	 1st half topic - Splendid Skies! How does the weather change? Inspiration Person - Sir Francis Beaufort We will be learning: to name and describe the different seasons. to gather and use data about the weather to answer questions. to compare countries based on weather patterns. about Sir Francis Beaufort why they are significant individuals from the past. to locate hot and cold countries in relation to the equator. 2nd half topic - Rio de Vida! Where is Brazil? Inspiration Person - Pelé We will be: Learning about the geographical features you can find in Brazil (human and physical). Comparing the weather in Brazil with the weather in the United Kingdom. Using directional language to describe the location of features and routes on a map (e.g. near and far; left and right). Explaining some of the main things that can be found in hot and cold countries. 	Keep a daily chart of the weather. Make a windsock or wind chime at home. Do you have any photos or books about different seasons or different countries? We'd love to see these and put them on our topic table. Look at maps and atlases, locating the equator and different countries.

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	 1st half topic - Big Question: Why is it good to listen to and remember the stories Jesus told? We will be exploring these key questions: Why did Jesus tell stories? What is your favourite story book? Why is it important to listen? Why is it important to believers to listen to God? Why is it good to listen to and remember the stories Jesus told? 	Try out Mrs Watts' Collective Worship at Home videos and activities on Google Classroom
	 2nd half topic - Big Question: Why do Christians make and keep promises before God? We will be exploring these key questions: Why do you think people belong to a Christian community? What is Baptism and what does it mean? What promises are made by parents and Godparents at an infant Baptism and why are they important? What happened when Jesus was baptised? What does his Baptism mean to Christians? What does marriage in church mean to Christians? Why do Christians make and keep promises before God? 	
Science	 In Science we will continue the topic: Plants We will: name a variety of common wild and garden plants. name the petals, stem, leaf and root of a plant. name the roots, trunk, branches and leaves of a tree. We will also return to our previous topics 'Seasonal Changes' and 'Animals' making links between science and our topics for this term. Throughout science lessons children focus on the 'Working Scientifically' skills and children have experience of different types of scientific enquiry, including: Ask simple scientific questions. Use simple equipment to make observations. Identify and classify things. Suggest what I have found out. Use simple data to answer questions 	Look out for flowers and trees on walks and outings and help your child to name them. If possible, plant and care for plants at home. Look at and talk about small changes over time.

PE	Year 1 will have two weekly PE sessions. One will be taught by Mrs Kakouris and the other by Non- Stop Action. The theme for this term will be athletics. In this unit pupils will experience running, jumping and throwing activities. Pupils will accurately replicate running challenges and competitions that require speed and changes in direction. This will help prepare them for Sports Day which will be taking place in June. In all athletic based activities, pupils will engage in performing skills and measuring performance. Pupils will develop the ability follow safety procedures and handle equipment correctly.	Ensuring your child has their PE kit on every Tuesday and Friday. If children have an after school sports club, they can wear PE kit to school that day.
Computing	 We will be learning to: Understand data and information, focusing on grouping data Use simple programming software to create animations! 	Support your child to research online some of the topics we have covered or are covering this term.
Music (with Mrs Orden)	In music we will be exploring the sounds which different instruments make, and how sounds can be layered and notated. We will learn about important musical symbols such as crescendo, and improvise music to match a story.	Have a look on YouTube at different instruments and listen to the difference in their sounds.
Independent skills	 Please help to foster independence in the following areas: Encourage your child to look after their uniform and possessions. Particularly their jumpers and coats which are often taken off at lunch time and forgotten about. 	Please make sure all the children's belongings are labelled that way it makes it easier for them to find things when they misplace them.

Additional Information

Your child will continue to change their reading books once a week. Please return books on Thursdays. It's helpful if your child brings their reading journal and reading book in their bag every day. Please supply your child with a colouring in book/puzzle book/activity book for entertainment during wet playtimes and any Golden Time we have. Even a book of blank paper for drawing is nice to have as a sketchbook.

Some important dates:

- Year 1 Beach Trip Thursday 6th June (all day)
- Year 1 Class Assembly Friday 12th July @ 9am
- End of Year School Reports sent home Friday 19th July, 2024

I will update you of other dates via Google Classroom.

As always, if you have any questions please do not hesitate to make contact via the office or speak to us at the classroom door.

Thank you for your continued support! Miss Lynn, Mrs Cagnetta and the whole Year 1 team