**CURRICULUM NEWSLETTER**

**YEAR 1**

**AUTUMN TERM 2018**

Dear Parents / Carers,

Please find below the units that your child will be learning this term.

**Maths**

* Read, write, and order numbers to 20 and beyond.
* Identify one more/one less than a given number.
* Identify and represent numbers using objects.
* Read and write numbers in words to 20.
* Count in 1s, 2s, 5s and 10s, forwards and backwards
* Use a number square and number line to count forwards and backwards.
* Understand place value – The value of each digit in a number.
* Number bonds of 10 and 20.
* Addition and subtraction using numbers to 20.

**We will deepen children’s understanding of concepts through a variety of reasoning and problem solving tasks.**

**English**

* **Narrative**-The focus text is ‘Jack and the Beanstalk’. The children will learn the key features of narrative writing. They will focus on unfamiliar words from the story and apply the new words learnt in their writing. We aim to use the text as a stimulus to write a setting and character description. Throughout the unit of work, the children will participate in role play and drama activities.
* **Non-fiction**- To write a non-chronological report.
* **Phonics** – Will be taught through the Read Write Inc scheme. The children will develop their knowledge and understanding of phonics. They will learn to apply the skills learnt in their reading and writing.
* **Grammar focus**: We will be developing children’s grammatical skills. We will be focusing on using capital letters and full stops to punctuate a sentence.

**Science**

* **Animals, including Humans**
* Naming common animals
* Identifying animals which are carnivores, herbivores and omnivores.
* Describe the structures of different animals.
* Why do animals live in on the farm?
* What animals are kept as pets?
* Minibeasts in our locality.
* Identify and name parts of the human body
* Our five senses

**MFL - Arabic**

**The Arabic Alphabet & Animals:** Pupils in year 1 will begin the term reviewing the Arabic alphabet and consolidating what was covered in reception. The focus this term will be on identifying and writing partial Arabic letters (joint letters) in preparation for future written work. This is a long term plan which will continue into future topics. Later in the term pupils will focus on linking Arabic letters to animals, this will include speaking, reading and writing the words.

**PE**

Sports covered this term will be: **Netball, Gymnastics**

The pupils will be exploring different ways in which to move. They will be working on their Agility, Balance and Co-Ordination skills through individual work and by learning to work as a team

The pupils will also be learning the importance of living a healthy life style, looking at key elements in their diet such as: Sugar /Salt / Oil. The understanding of how important it is to raise their heart rate.

**R.E**

Key Beliefs: The children will explore the 5 pillars of Islam. They will understand how Allah is the creator of everything

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**Additional Information**

All children should have the school PE kit as this is part of their uniform. This **must** include trainers or plimsolls. Children are not allowed to do PE in their school shoes.

The children need to come to school in their uniform and will leave school in their PE kit.

**Homework-** Homework will be given out on a **Friday and will need to** be completed by the following **Tuesday** and brought in for marking. Please encourage children to independently complete homework as it will be set according to what is being learnt in class and will help reinforce and embed the learning. **Also could you please ensure that your child only completes the highlighted pages. Any extra work you wish for your child to complete will need to be sourced from yourselves.**

**Parent workshop –**

***Monday 24th September 2018 –*** Please attend as it’s important for you to understand year 1 and how to support your child at home.

We hope you find this information useful and that you are able to use it to support your child’s learning at home.

Yours faithfully,

The Year 1 team,

Ms. Rafique(Year Leader)/Mrs Cooper, Ms. Verma and Mr. Mahmood

