



St. Werburgh's C. E. Primary School

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Friday 12th January 2024

Dear parents and carers,

Re: Spring Term Curriculum Update

Below you will find a brief outline of the curriculum areas which we will be focusing upon in class throughout the spring term.

Please note, that the list is a summary and is subject to change over the course of the term. It does, however, offer a little information to enable you to further-support your child's learning. If you require any further information, please do not hesitate to contact me.

<u>Core Subjects</u>	
Literacy	<p>We will be learning about:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Poetry;• Fiction – oral and written retelling;• Narratives and description. <p>We will also be focusing on:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Securing the use of known graphemes and phonemes in order to correctly spell words used in writing;• Consolidating splitting and blending phonemes to aid reading;• Exploring sentence structure and the key areas of sentence writing. <p>In Year 1, we will have daily phonics lessons to help teach, strengthen and support phonetic knowledge. Phonics is an important lesson within Year 1, as it is the building blocks of reading and writing;</p> <p>Through Guided Reading sessions, shared reading in class and individual reading, the children will be taught how to infer information, along with developing their tone, fluency and expression. To gain understanding of the texts they read, children will</p>

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	be asked to retell stories as well as answering questions to show their understanding of the text and their use of learnt phonics.
Maths/ Numeracy	<p>This term in Maths, we will be covering the following areas:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Place Value;• Measurement;• 3-D Shape; <p>During these lessons we will begin to explore numbers 50 to 100, sequencing them and using them in different forms of problem solving. Furthermore, we will investigate different shape and begin to develop a better understanding of 3-d shapes.</p>
Science	<p>Our Science topics this term will be 'Polar Places' and 'Celebrations'. During these lessons we will be learning about:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Different climates around the world;• Materials and their properties;• Sound and light;• Our Senses
RE	<p>The spring term will allow the class to look at:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• The Muslim Faith;• The Easter Story.
<u>Wider Curriculum</u>	
Throughout the Wider Curriculum, cross-curricular links will be developed and the children will be given regular opportunities to reinforce and use their Literacy and Numeracy skills.	
History	<p>This term, the children will be learning:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• About famous explorers from around the world;• How to discuss and critically view actions of explorers from the past;• About how explores use to travel and live.

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Geography	During the spring term, children will be: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Investigating people in their local communities around the world;• Local events;
Computing	This Term, our focus will be on: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Coding.
Art	This term children will be looking at weaving and using this technique to create artwork.
D&T	This term children will be looking at mechanisms, including pulleys and levers.
P.E.	PE will be taught by ASM on a Wednesday and Friday afternoon. Please remember to have kit in schools, long hair tied back and no jewelry, including earrings.
P.S.H.E – Personal, Social and Health Education	This term, we will be learning about: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Emotions;• Ambitions.
Music	Mrs. Whiteley will deliver our Music lessons throughout the year.

Year 1's Weekly Schedule	
Monday	
Tuesday	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Homework in;• Reading Books Changed;
Wednesday	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Homework out• P.E.
Thursday	
Friday	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• P.E.• Library Books Changed• Reading Books Changed

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After an exciting end to our first term, we will be heading into spring with lots of new and intriguing things in store! I am looking forward to the term ahead and I am sure that you are too. If I, or any member of the school team can be of any help then please do not hesitate to contact us. You can get in touch face-to-face at the beginning and end of school, calling the office or sending an email to the class address YEARONE@tmpf.staffs.sch.uk.

Kind regards for an exciting term ahead.

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