



## Orange Class

### Curriculum Newsletter: Spring Term 1

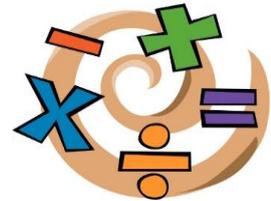


#### **RE:**

Our RE focus this half term is Sikhism. The children will be able to explain what Sikhs believe and what is important in the Sikh community. We will also make clear links between our own lives and compare with other religions and viewpoints.

#### **Maths:**

This half term, we will be starting with money in our maths learning. The children will be able to identify and compare different coins and notes. We will then move onto place value, followed by addition and subtraction within 20.



#### **English:**

In our English lessons, we will be using a text called 'Grandpa's Gift' by Fiona Lumbers, creating a recount and a character description before the final outcome of a journey fiction story. We will continue to use our guided reading and phonics scheme, Read Write Inc.

#### **Spelling and Phonics:**

As mentioned above, we will be learning new sounds daily through our Read Write Inc phonics scheme. The children will read words and spell new words with the daily focus sound. In addition to this, each half term a spelling overview will be sent home and spelling tests will be every Friday.



#### **Science:**

Our science topic this half term is called 'Polar Places'. The children will have the opportunity to work scientifically through many ways including carrying out experiments. We will start by exploring different regions of the world, and then move onto identifying and naming common animals that are carnivores, herbivores and omnivores.

#### **Computing:**

In Computing this half term, the children will be learning about programming. We will start by looking at digital content and sequencing a set of instructions. Our final outcome will be to build and program a rocket.



## **Topic: Geography**

During this half term, we will be learning about 'Our School Grounds'. In this topic, we will look at simple fieldwork and observational skills. The children will be recognising different features of our school environment and how this can encourage plant life.



## **Design and Technology:**

This half term, our topic will be called 'Dip and Dippers'. We will be learning about different types of food and nutrition.

## **PSHE:**

PSHE learning will continue to follow our whole school scheme of work called SCARF. Throughout this half term, our topic is called 'Valuing difference'. The children will be learning about qualities of people that can be unique and special including where we live, different communities and beliefs.



## **PE:**

The children will be learning about gymnastics and dance this half term. We will be focusing on basic control and coordination to create a sequence.

## **Music:**

In music, we will be thinking about high, middle and low sounds through body movement and singing songs. We will also be thinking about how sounds can be layered to create a texture.



## **General information:**

**PE days:** Monday and Thursday, please come in full School PE kit.

**Homework:** A piece of English and Maths will be set every week on a Friday. Homework needs to be completed and handed in by the following Wednesday.

**Home reading:** Reading Diaries will be collected in every day to ensure reading books can be changed frequently.

If you have any questions, please come and chat to us or email me at:

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Many thanks for your continued support.