

Curriculum Information for Term 4 2022 for Year 1

Dear Parents,

Welcome back to Term 4. Hope that you all had a well-deserved rest over the holiday period.

It would be great to see more reading folders being returned, as it is still important to be practising their reading.

The students are in need of more glue sticks- if you could spare one or two to get us through the term, it would be very much appreciated.

This term the whole school will be participating in our school musical. Year 1 will be learning a dance with Mrs Paul as their dance choreographer. This will be taking place on Fridays.

Religion unit: Developing my relationship with God Students will learn how Christians with a sense of mission can love God and others through their relationships with others at a personal, local and global level. Students will be encouraged to identify how they can participate in the mission of Jesus and will be putting their learning into action through their involvement in Socktober and the Vinnies Christmas Appeal (more information to come).

In **English** our main focus is to read with increased fluency and understanding. Therefore, it is important that your child is reading at their instructional level, this is the level where they have just enough challenge to move forward. We will be learning the importance of reading the punctuation and practising this independently.

The focus in writing is to continue to write with more detail and to include complex sentences, a sentence that has a subject and a predicate (verb). The expectation is that high frequency words are spelt from memory and spelling strategies are learnt to 'have a go' at unknown words.

In **Maths** a big focus is on counting and beginning to recognise 3 digit numbers and how these are made up- hundreds, tens and ones. Based on in class assessments, the students will also be working on ordering and recognising 3 digit numbers, skip counting and recognising patterns. Their learning in Maths will be through Maths games, activities on the I-pads, and hands on activities. Open-ended challenges give the students the opportunity to work at their level of Maths.

In **Maths** students will continue to develop and deepen their understanding of number through a variety of open ended warm ups. Additionally, Maths tasks will cater for all student levels through open ended questions along with enabling and extending prompts, which allow all students to feel both challenged and yet supported. There will continue to be a focus on teacher questioning and students will be encouraged to share their strategies used. Strands we are covering this term include Whole Number, Data, Multiplication and Division, Chance, Fractions and Decimals and a range of Measurement topics.

In **Science and Technology** the Stage 1 Unit of work is 'Sky and Landscapes.' Stage 1 of the Earth and Space strand focuses on the observable changes that occur in the sky and landscape. The first part of this strand introduces students to regular atmospheric and astronomical events and their effect on the Earth and develops students' understanding of sustainability.

For the unit of work that we will be doing in **Geography** the students will continue to investigate the natural and human features of places. They will describe the reasons places change and identify the active role of citizens in the care of places. They will learn about how people describe the weather and

seasons of places. Students will explore activities occurring in places and how the spaces within places can be used for different purposes.

Creative Arts- Visual Art activities are based on the Science and Geography units as well as other themes that occur during the coming weeks. Music is taught by Mr Warby on Fridays. Dance and Drama are integrated where appropriate across the curriculum as well as preparations for the Musical.

PDHPE- Mrs Pearce will continue to teach PDH. Our unit is "**Safe Decisions, Healthy Choices**". Students will recognise the actions they need to take to keep themselves safe and promote their health in a variety of contexts. They will recognise the factors that influence their decisions and how they change over time.

Mrs Frost teaches PE skills on Fridays and extra sport is on Tuesdays.

Year 1 weekly routine

Tuesday- Class Sport Lesson (please send your child/ren in their sports uniform)

Tuesday- Library.

Wednesday- School assembly-Every 2nd week (even week)

Friday - Music with Mr Warby
PE with Mrs Frost

Please don't hesitate to contact me if you are concerned about anything re your child and their learning.

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