

PHASE 2

Curriculum Newsletter | Autumn | Term 1



WELCOME BACK

Welcome back! We hope you all had a wonderful summer and enjoyed some time to rest and recharge. The children have settled back into school brilliantly, and we are excited for the busy and exciting term ahead filled with new learning, challenges, and opportunities.

WORLD LEARNING

This term our topic is Community. The children will explore their local area through map making, learn about the four countries of the UK, and discover the story of the Windrush Generation. Together, we will think about belonging, diversity, and what makes communities special.

ENGLISH

In English this term, our work will be based around the book *Speak Out* by Nathan Bryon. The children will be developing their writing skills through a range of activities, including writing character descriptions, persuasive letters, and creating a leaflet about the local area. They will also enjoy writing recipes, party invitations, and a letter, giving them plenty of opportunities to practise different styles of writing for real purposes.

HOME LEARNING

- 1 Map Making**
Make a map of your local community.
- 2 Helping Hands**
Make a poster showing all the ways you could help out in local community.
- 3 Interview**
Interview a member of your local community
- 4 Community Scrap Book**
showing different people, traditions, foods, or celebrations in their community.

VOCABULARY

Community
Diversity
Neighbourhood
Citizen
Responsibility
Belong
Volunteer
Cooperation

Maths

In Maths this term, the children will be focusing on Place Value and Addition and Subtraction. They will build their understanding of numbers, learn different strategies for calculations, and practise applying their skills to solve problems with increasing confidence.

RE

In RE this term, our unit is Where Did the World Begin?. Pupils will explore how life, change, and growth are viewed by different faiths, including Jewish, Christian, and Muslim beliefs about a Creator God. They will also learn about caring for the planet through examples like Harvest Thanksgiving and St Francis.

Science

In Science this term, our unit is Animals Including Humans. The children will learn about how humans grow and change, the importance of exercise and healthy eating, and how we can take care of our bodies. They will also explore the basic needs of animals and how they are similar to and different from our own.

PE

In PE this term, our focus is on the Fundamentals of Sport. The children will develop key skills such as running, catching, throwing, and balancing, which will help them build confidence and prepare for a wide range of sports and activities.

REMINDERS

Reading books and journals will be sent home next week. Please read with your child and sign their journals.

Violins should be back in schools on Mondays.

PE days

Pearl - Wednesday and Friday

Amethyst - Tuesday and Wednesday

Quartz - Wednesday and Thursday

Please remember to come to school in PE kits on those days.

Thank you from all of Phase 2

MUSIC

All Year 2 and those year 3 children selected to continue will continue their violin lessons.

Year 3 children will cover music through Music Masters Musicianship lessons.