

# **Curriculum Newsletter**

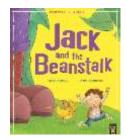
# Bramham Shadwell Federation Class 1 April - May 2022



# All our learning in class this half term will be focused around the question:

Can I make a difference?

# **English** Maths



This half term we will be reading "Jack and the Beanstalk" linked to our science topic of plants.

We will continue to focus on punctuation, in particular full stops and exclamation marks. We will also pay close attention to conjunctions and using the prefix –un and the suffixes –ing, -ed and –s/es. The children have been making sure they use the success criteria to write 'super sentences'. See the example below. This helps them check their own work.



The children will continue to develop their phonic knowledge by applying Phase 3-5 phonics while decoding real and 'nonsense' words, as well as revising alternative pronunciations for sounds. Our focus this term will be to embed our spelling knowledge in our writing.

- The children will be developing their understanding of multiplication by counting in equal groups, using apparatus to support their calculations. The children will then apply this knowledge as they move on to division where they will learn to share objects and numbers into equal groups.
- They will continue to explore the term 'equal' by finding fractions of shapes and numbers to 20. The children will be learning about 'halves' and 'quarters'.
- Towards the end of this half term the children will be learning to tell the time. They will be looking at o'clock and half past the hour.
- We will begin to practise our times tables. The children will be learning the 2, 5 and 10 times tables through daily practice at the beginning of each maths lesson.
- All children should be able to recall their number bonds to 10. This knowledge can then be applied to solve number problems using greater values.
- In science lessons we will create a Sunflower Diary to record the growth of the seeds we plant. Each child will make an initial prediction and then measure their plants in different units each week as the flower grows.

#### How can I help / information for Helping

Discuss vocabulary with your child from their reading book as well as other books you read together. Can you find a word that means the same as \_\_\_\_\_\_? Can you spot any of your phonics sounds in these words? Ask your child to re-read a sentence to build up fluency.

Practice writing together in a range of contexts e.g. silly stories, shopping lists, letters to friends and family, postcards etc.

Help your child to practise their spellings (these will be sent home every Friday and tested the following Friday). Spot sentences containing their spellings when they read to you and write sentences together containing these words.

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Allow your child to share out items equally between family members.

Practise the 2, 5 and 10 times tables – sing them on the way to school, in the car etc Look at both analogue and digital clocks with your child and encourage them to tell the time. Please help your child to revise addition and subtraction facts to 10. E.g. 10=5+5, 10-6=4. Quick recall of these facts will help your child to solve problems with greater numbers also.

#### KIRF Targets - Summer Term 1

To know the number bonds for each number to 10.

Topic	Science	P.E
Focus is: Maps and our local environment.	Focus is: This half term our science topic will be	Focus is:
Skills / knowledge to be developed: The children will	'Growing'. The children will look at the signs of Spring and learn how plants grow.	Team Games Skills / knowledge to be developed:
be using locational language to describe the features on	Skills / knowledge to be developed: Class One will	The children will be learning about team work and co-
a map. They will also use simple fieldwork and	learn about the different parts of a plant and their	operation during games.
observational skills to study the geography of the school	functions, the life cycle of a plant and what a plant	Applied through:
and its grounds.	needs to grow.  Applied through:	The children will be joining in a range of team games outside using equipment such as bats, balls, agility
Applied through:	We will be planting sunflower seeds	ladders etc.
Class One will be looking at maps and aerial	and observing their growth. The	
photographs of Shadwell and locating familiar	children will be measuring the growth	
landmarks such as the school, the Post Office and the Red Lion. They will be drawing their own maps of the	using different units. Children will also be growing herbs in the classroom	
school grounds.	and continuing to monitor the progress of the beetroot	
	they planted on spring explorer day.	
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Look at a map of the U.K and find Leeds and London. Can they find England, Scotland, Wales and Northern	Discuss with your child the different signs of Spring such as changes in the weather and idea of new life.	Please ensure that your child comes to school in their PE kits every Tuesday and Wednesday. If your child has
Ireland? Locate seaside towns and discuss how they	You could go on a Spring walk and name as many	trainers with laces, please help them to learn how to tie
are 'coastal' and Leeds is 'inland'. Talk about the	plants and trees as you can see.	them.
features of a map. Discuss north, south, east and west – which direction does their bedroom window face?	You could plant food and flowers at home and watch their growth.	
- which direction does their bedroom window race?	uicii giowiii.	

Music	PSHE / MindMate	R.E.
Focus is: to use improvisation when singing and playing instruments.  Skills / knowledge to be developed:  The children will be using our Charanga scheme and completing the unit 'Having Fun with Improvisation'.	Focus is: Money, careers and economic well-being Relationships  Skills / knowledge to be developed: The children will explore where money comes from, making spending choices and saving money. They will also be learning	Focus is: How and why do we care for others?  Skills / knowledge to be developed: Children will discuss people they care about and compare stories from the Bible and Qur'an. We will also be learning about Passover, Vaisakhi and Eid.
They will understand how to find the pulse of the song, use instruments to create the pulse and their own musical creations.	about the different jobs people do. The children will be introduced to Yasmine & Tom, characters they will learn about in each year of primary school. We will be talking about gender stereotypes, families and friendship.  Applied through: Discussion / Circle time / debate	Applied through: Discussion / Circle time / debate

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Listening to music in day-to-day life, singing along, playing musical instruments and exploring these where possible.

Linking music to emotions and discussing how different types of music make you feel.

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Talk to your child about money and how much things cost.

Encourage your child to save their money if they want to buy something special.

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Why is it important to care for others? Carry out a random act of kindness to show somebody how much you care about them.

#### Any Other Information / Dates for the Diary Homework **Ongoing Homework** Reading: we would encourage all children in KS1 to read for 15 minutes every Jubilee Progress Cafes Year 1 – Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> May night (please log what they have read in their reading record). We will be sending Jubilee Lunch - Friday 27th May reading books home on Tuesday and Friday and would ask that you ensure your FOSS Fathers Day Shop- Thursday 16th June child's book and reading record is sent into school every day so they can be Shadwell Village Fete - Sunday 3rd July Sports Day – Monday 4th July (reserve Friday 11th July) listened to as required. Theatre Production visit – Tuesday 12th July KIRF target: See maths **Mathletics Spellings:** spellings will be sent home every Friday so they can be practised at home before our spelling test the following Friday. Please ensure that your child has a named water bottle in school every day. They Times Tables: the children will be bringing home short times table slips so they must remember to take it home every evening to wash the bottle and bring it in to can practise the times tables we are working on in school. school already full. This will ensure that the bottles are kept clean and germ-free for the children's use each day. Maths / English Homework Homework is sent on a Thursday evening and will be alternated between Maths and English. Please return it on a Tuesday. Please encourage your children to discuss their homework at home in order that they develop the skills of explanation and reasoning.

Thank you, as always, for your continuing help and support. If you have any queries please do not hesitate to contact us or make an appointment at the office to arrange a meeting after school.

Mrs Barrett and Miss Greenwood

