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**Curriculum Information Letter – Year 4 Summer 2023**

Dear Parents,

We would like to welcome you back to school and hope that you and your family are well and have had an enjoyable holiday!

In this letter you will find an overview of the work that your child will be completing during this term. Please find opportunities to support your child’s learning by doing additional research on any new topics.

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| **RE** | We will complete the remaining units from our scheme **‘Learning and Growing as the People of God’** this term: Easter; Pentecost; Jesus Teaches Us How to Pray; Sharing in the Life of Christ; and Special Roles and Responsibilities.  **Multi-Faith** work on Buddhism. |
| **English** | **Reading:** This term, Year 4 are reading ‘The Lion, the Witch and the Wardrobe’ by C. S. Lewis. In addition, the children will cover a range of texts (both fiction and non-fiction), so please do encourage your child to explore different genres in order to complement their learning.  **Writing:** The children will be taught a range of writing genres (fiction and non-fiction) based on our key texts. Genres include: journey/portal stories; chronological reports; information texts; recounts; playscripts; and poetry.  **Grammar, Punctuation and Spelling** will be taught from the programme of study for Year 4. |
| **Maths** | We will be recapping our learning from the Spring Term about fractions, multiplication and division, and decimals. Additionally, we will be learning about measurement (money and time); geometry (properties of shape, position and direction) and statistics.  Please support your child with learning their **times tables** regularly as they will be tested weekly and will aid much of their mathematical learning. |
| **Science** | This term, we are learning all about **animals including humans** and **living things and their habitats**. |
| **Computing** | Throughout this term, we will be focusing on **Data Handling** |
| **PE** | **Summer 1:** Children will be **swimming** every **Thursday** morning: 20th April - 25th May.  **Summer 2**: P.E (Outdoor Adventurous Activities)- day to be confirmed.  Please ensure your child has the correct kit. A letter should be provided if your child is unable to participate in P.E for a medical reason. |
| **Forest School** | After half term in **Summer 2** |
| **Music** | Recorder lessons will take place in school every **Thursday afternoon**. |
| **PSHE** | This term, the children will be looking at issues related to **‘Created to live in Community’.** |
| **French** | Children will develop their understanding of spoken and written French and work towards using spoken language with confidence and accuracy. |
| **History/Geography** | This term, the children will be finishing our Geography topic on **‘Earning a Living'**. We will then be exploring the **Ancient Egypt** in History.  Children are invited to research these topics out of school and bring in any information they have collected using their research books. |
| **Art & Design Technology** | In Art we will be developing skills in **Sculpture and 3D**. |

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| **Homework** | **Reading:** Each child will read on a daily basis in either whole class sessions, small groups or individually. Reading records will be checked daily to ensure home reading is taking place. Please read with your child every day and sign their reading diary. **Reading books must be brought to school every day.**  **Spelling:** Weekly spelling lists will be given out on **Fridays** and tested the following **Friday.** Spellings are handed out and posted on Seesaw each week.  **Times Tables:** All times tables up to 12 should be learnt by the end of Year 4. Further to this, children should know the inverse operations for each multiplication calculation.  **Other:** Maths and English homework will be given out on a **Friday** and should be completed andreturned the following **Thursday,** unless requested for a specific date.  **Spelling and homework pages are posted on Seesaw each week.** |
| **Attendance and Punctuality** | This year we have a school target of **97%** for pupils in Rec– 6. It is very important that your child attends school every day that they are fit and well. Pupils with an attendance score of less than 90% are regarded by the Government as having Persistent Absence and parents will be invited into school. All pupils who achieve an attendance of 97% or more will be invited to the Annual Attendance Reward Visit for excellent attendance! |
| **What to remember each day:** | **Reading books must be brought to school every day please**  **Swimming:** Thursdays 20th April - 25th May  **Thursday:** Swimming (up to half term) / Recorders  **Thursday:** Homework due in  **Friday:** Spelling test and Homework due in**.**  **Y4 Class Mass:** 15th June  **Class trip:** Further details to follow.  **Wednesday 5th July:** Transition day for whole school |

If you have any questions please don’t hesitate to email us using enquiry@stjonmon.bham.sch.uk.

Yours sincerely,

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