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**Year 1 Curriculum Information Letter –Spring 2024-2025**

Dear Parents,

Happy New Year!

I hope you have all enjoyed the Christmas holiday and have had an enjoyable break.

Below is an outline of the work we will be covering this term.

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| **RE** | The children will cover the following topics:   * Christmas * Jesus the teacher and healer * Forgiveness * Lent * Holy week |
| **English** | Spring Texts: **Hermelin by Mini Grey and Where the Wild Things Are by Maurice Sendak. Using these texts as a stimulus we will complete a narrative detective story and letter writing alongside various other short pieces of writing throughout the term.**  Throughout the term the children will be working on their reading, word recognition, writing and sounds. They will focus on:   * Using a variety of punctuation * Ensuring letters are equal in size and tall letters stand tall * Forming all capital letters correctly * Reading with increasing independence and answering questions related to the text * Using the prefix un * Using suffixes (ing, ed, er, est) * Spelling Year 1 common exception words * Writing a variety of texts (stories, non-fiction, lists and letters). |
| **Maths** | * Number: addition and subtraction within 20 * Number: place value within 50 * Counting in 2, 5 and 10 * Measurement: length and height * Measurement: weight and volume |
| **Science** | * Observing seasonal change * What everyday materials can I identify? |
| **Computing** | * Improving Mouse Skills |
| **PE** | * Attack, Defend, Shoot. * Send and Return.   **P.E. is every Wednesday, please ensure your child leaves their P.E. kit in school.** |
| **Music** | * Timbre and rhythmic patterns (Theme: Fairytales) |
| **History/Geography** | * What is the weather like? * How have explorers changed the world? |
| **PSHE/RSHE** | * NSPCC * Dog Safety * Religious understanding * Personal Relationships, * Keeping Safe.   Please refer to the school website if you would like to look at the TenTen resources we use and the learning objectives covered. |
| **Art** | * Craft and design: Embellishments. |

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| **Homework** | **Reading:** Please continue to send your child’s reading bag into school every day. We will be hearing the children read daily and will be changing the reading books on a regular basis. **It is vital that you read with your child every day and sign their reading record to evidence this.**  **Online Reading:** Alongside your child’s school reading books please use Oxford Owl to access more books- your child’s login can be found in their reading record.  **Maths and English:** Each child has been given a Maths and English homework booklet. This is to be kept in their book bag. Homework tasks will be set every Friday to be completed for the following Friday.  **Spelling & Grammar:** Your child will receive an additional task linked to their learning in class. This will have a focus on spelling rules and grammar. Please note this will replace the spellings the children practiced last term. |
| **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. Pupils with an attendance level of less than 90% are regarded by the Government as having Persistent Absence and parents will be invited into school to discuss reasons for persistent absence. If there is a cause for concern about your child’s punctuality you will be contacted to discuss this matter. |
| **Other Information** | **Parents Consultation**: Tuesday 11th March and Wednesday 12th March  **Year 1 Mass:** Thursday 13th February  Thursday 3RD April |

If you have any questions send an email to [enquiry@stjonmon.bham.sch.uk](mailto:enquiry@stjonmon.bham.sch.uk) and we will get back to you as soon as possible.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs Riches, Mrs Catling & Miss Keegan