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**Year 1 Curriculum Information Letter – Summer 2023-24**

Dear Parents,

I hope you have had a joyful Easter break spent with family and friends. The children have returned to school ready for their final term in Year 1! We are looking forward to another exciting term filled with lots of new learning and perfecting the skills we have acquired so far. We will also be making the most of the good weather by taking some of our learning outdoors.

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| **RE** | The children will cover the following topics:   * Easter * Pentecost * Following Jesus today * Jesus the teacher and healer   We will also be learning about our local Church St. John and St. Martin’s. |
| **English** | The children will be developing their reading comprehension skills, sight vocabulary and extended writing.  We will focus on:   * Handwriting and presentation * Using a variety of conjunctions * Making inferences based on what the characters do and say * Using the prefix un and suffixes (ing, ed, er, est) with increasing independence * Spelling Year 1 common exception words * Learning and reciting poetry by heart * Reading and writing a variety of texts (instructions, letters, recounts and poems).   Summer term core text: The lighthouse keeper’s collection (by David and Ronda Armitage). |
| **Maths** | * Number: multiplication and division (multiples of 2, 5, and 10). * Number: fractions * Geometry: Position and direction * Number: Place value (within 100) * Measurement: Money * Time (o’clock, half past, quarter to and quarter past). |
| **Science** | * Materials * Plants * Observing seasonal change (Summer) |
| **PSHE** | Created to live in community:  Who are the special people that work in my community?  Who is my neighbor?  The communities we live in. |
| **Computing** | * Creating media through digital imagery: which includes, planning a photo story, taking photos, editing photos, searching for photos and creating a photo collage. |
| **PE** | * Games and Athletics   Full P.E. kit must be left in school.  P.E. is every **Wednesday.**  Year 1 will also be taking part in Balance & Flexibility this half term, which is every **Friday**. |
| **Music** | Vocal and body sounds: (theme: by the sea)   * Exploring the beat and rhythm in a variety of songs * Using their voices and percussion instruments to make a range of sounds * Appraising a variety of music |
| **Geography** | * What is life like in the city? |

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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. Remember to use Oxford Owl for additional digital reading material.  **Spelling:** At the start of each half term, your child will be given a booklet of spelling lists. Please check the date at the top of each list and support your child to learn their spelling each week. Every Friday your child will have a spelling test.  **Maths and English:** Please continue to work through the English and Maths homework books your child has. Homework will be checked every Friday. Supplementary tasks may also be set via SeeSaw, so please check this platform regularly.  **Wider Curriculum:** During the half term break, research project challenges will be set. This additional research will make a vast improvement to your child’s engagement and enjoyment of learning within the topic. We have loved seeing the wonderful project completed over the last terms!  Thank you for your support with homework. |
| **Attendance and Punctuality** | We have a school attendance target of **97%**. It is very important that your child attends school every day that they are fit and well. Pupils with attendance of less than 90% are regarded by the Government as having Persistent Absence and pupils with attendance in danger of falling to this level will be invited into school. All pupils who achieve attendance of 100% will receive a certificate at the end of term, Good Luck |
| **Other information** | Year 1 Mass- Thursday 2nd May and Thursday 27th June.  Sports Day – Friday 14th June (AM) |

Many thanks for supporting and encouraging your child to do their best in school. If you have any further enquiries, please do not hesitate to let me know via email.

Yours sincerely,

Miss Mann & Miss Smith