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**Curriculum Information Letter Year 2– Autumn 2023-24**

Dear Parents,

We would like to welcome you back to school. The children have settled in very well and have been happy to see each other again. 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 new topics.

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| **RE** | We will be listening to and talking about stories from the Old Testament. Thinking about how God helped Noah, Abraham, David, Daniel and Jonah. Finding out about the lives of Mary, Joseph and the friends of Jesus. As well as discussing the lives of the Saints and learning about the life of Saint Therese and preparing for Christmas during the time of Advent. |
| **English** | **Reading:** We will be reading daily together in small groups and individually to develop comprehension skills. Reading and answering questions on a set text. Reading aloud to an audience and alone quietly. Children will read each week with an adult and reading books will be changed over this period so please make sure the reading bag is in school every day in order for books to be changed. Our class text this term will be ‘The Owl Who Was Afraid Of The Dark’.  **Writing:** The children will be developing their independent writing skills. Retelling and rewriting familiar stories. Thinking about story settings and characters. Writing new endings to familiar stories and learning handwriting joins.  **Grammar/Punctuation/Spelling:** We will focus onnouns, noun phrase statements, questions, exclamations, command compounds, suffixes adjectives, adverbs, verb tenses (past, present) apostrophes and commas. The use of capital letters, full stops, question marks and exclamation marks to demarcate sentences. Commas to separate items in a list. Apostrophes to mark where letters are missing in spelling and to mark singular possession in nouns [for example, the girl’s name]. |
| **Maths** | Ordering and writing numbers to 100 and beyond. Counting in steps of 2, 3, and 5 from 0, and in tens from any number, forward and backward. Recognising number value and recording place value. Recognising and describing 2D and 3D shapes. Problem solving using addition and subtraction. Recall and use multiplication and division facts for the 2, 5 and 10 multiplication tables. |
| **Science** | Living in habitats.  How do animals grow and develop? |
| **Computing** | Online safety |
| **PE** | **Dance and Gymnastics:** Pupils will have P.E every **Monday**. Pupils will need to ensure that they come to school in full school uniform as they will get changed in class. The correct P.E kit includes green/black shorts, yellow/white T-shirt and black pumps. Please label each item clearly with your child’s name. PE kits will remain in school for the term. |
| **Music** | African Call and response song (Theme: Animals) |
| **History** | The Great Fire of London |
| **Geography** | Where do I live? |
| **RSHE** | Unit 1: Religious Understanding |

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| **Homework** | **Reading:** Pupils will read independently each weekwith an adult. Please ensure you sign their diary daily to show that you have read with your child.  **Spelling:** Pupils will be given a spelling booklet with their weekly spellings inside which will be tested on a Friday.  **Other:** Pupils have been given an English and Math’s homework book which will be set in class each Friday to be completed by the following Friday.  **Myon:** An excellent resource where your child can access additional reading material and take quizzes on the texts they have read. Certificates will be given to the children who access Myon regularly.  **SeeSaw:** Weekly homework reminders and half term research projects will be set on See Saw so please check this regularly. |
| **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. |
| **Other Information** | **Y2 Parent Phonics Workshop:** Wednesday 11th October 9:15am  **Parent Consultations:** Tuesday 24th and Wednesday 25th October  **Year 2 Mass:** Thursday 5th October and Thursday 14th December 2023  **Great Fire of London storytelling workshop:** Friday 20th October (in school) |

If you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely,

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Miss Dabhelia (Learning Support Assistant)