



KS2 Curriculum Flyer

Autumn Term 2018

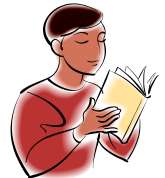


Welcome to the new term and the start of another exciting school year! Hello to all the new Year 3 pupils and the mature and more experienced Year 6s! There are lots of exciting events to look forward to this term: Macmillan Coffee Meeting, Bonfire, Remembrance Day, plenty of sport and especially this year's trip to the theatre when we approach Christmas!

Below you will find a brief outline of the curriculum areas which we will be focusing upon in class throughout the autumn term.

Please note, that the list is a summary and is subject to change over the course of the term. It does, however, offer a little information to enable you to further-support your child's learning.

If you require any further information please do not hesitate to contact me



Literacy

In our Literacy sessions this term, we will be developing their reading and writing skills, with many cross-curricula opportunities; newspaper reports, diaries, letters from the trenches, World War 1 poetry, stories and play scripts.

During Guided Reading sessions, shared reading in class and individual reading, your child will be taught the skills that enable them to access appropriately levelled texts independently; developing fluency; understanding of an increasing range of vocabulary; how to ask and answer questions using evidence from the text; make predictions and inferences from the characters actions and the events; recognising facts and opinions and summarising the main points in a text. Spelling rules and common exception words will be taught in discrete sessions each week and revised and reviewed during the children's independent work. A list of spellings that comply with the weeks rule will be sent home each week. Friday for the 3/4 children to practise prior to a weekly test on Friday and a Tuesday for 5/6 pupils for a Tuesday test.

Numeracy

KS2 Children will continue to develop their skills in a range of mathematical areas, including the four main operations, problem solving, fractions, decimals and percentages, shape and measures. This will be followed by collecting and interpreting data in various forms. In Years 3/4 the children will develop their knowledge, confidence and understanding of number work within 10,000; the operations of addition, subtraction, multiplication and division, applying these to solving word problems; position and direction; shapes including angles; presenting and interpreting data; fractions and measurement, including time and using money.

Please see the homework section for details on when it is set. **In addition to homework, the children should be encouraged to learn the times tables.** Children have generated their own targets, with teacher input, on how to make the next steps to progress.

Problem solving is a key focus, your child needs to apply their knowledge and this can be practised in real life situations, when shopping (addition, totals, percentages), weighing out ingredients, telling time and using knowledge of time to plan cooking times, measuring for DIY projects! Have a go and see where you use maths everyday.

Homework

A piece of Numeracy and Literacy or Science/Topic work will be sent home on a Friday night to be returned to school the following week on Monday. This gives the children a full week and two weekends in which to complete their work. The homework will reflect some of the learning taking place in class and enables the children to practise and consolidate their skills, independently. We also expect the children to read at home on a regular basis and practise their times tables. In the Spring term the **Year 4** children will be take part in a Multiplication Tables Check ahead of this becoming mandatory for all schools the following year .

Please help and encourage your child to complete their homework to support our learning in school.

There are lots of resources on Espresso to help children with their learning – go to <https://online.espresso.co.uk> and type the school's username student28055 and the password forest.

Weekly spellings that help the children to learn and practise key spelling rules will also be set on a weekly basis.

Science

In our science lessons the children will use their observation and analytical skills to investigate topics that connect to the world around them. These lessons are practical and engaging with the pupils using and applying their knowledge and understanding of the world. The topics for Y3/4 will be 'Sound and Light'. The children will have the opportunity to investigate how sounds and light travel, how they can be altered and why they are important to the way in which we interact with our environment; for the Y5/6 it will be learning about the Human Body and the impact of diet and lifestyle, how the digestive system works and the functions of the major organs.

Computing

There is a continued focus on Internet Safety, including keeping your password safe, suitability of websites, social media and cyber-bullying. The children will also become more confident when coding, using different languages including HTML and Python.

Topic

Over the course of the autumn term we will be learning about World War 1 and commemorating the centenary of the first Armistice Day in 1918. Using our geography skills we will be looking at the countries involved and the environmental features that led to trench warfare and our historical skills to investigate the evidence we have about the events that occurred. In art we will use the work of Paul Nash, a WW1 artist, as a starting point for our own work and create a poppy display based on the work by Paul Cummins and Tom Piper. Using a variety of materials we will also be creating a model of the trenches. KS2 pupils will also be involved with the Upper Tean Remembrance Service on 11.11.18, more details to follow nearer the time.

PSHE/SEAL

During this lesson we discuss the social and emotional aspects of learning which affect our everyday lives. This terms topics are 'New Beginnings' followed by 'Getting on and Falling Out.' In citizenship we will be looking and learning about human rights.

Music

The music units are delivered by our musical expert Mr. Andrew Chapman.



Modern Foreign Language

On a Wednesday afternoon, Mrs Butt from The Cheadle Academy will be joining us to develop our bilingual skills by teaching us German!

Religious Education

During RE sessions we will be learning about 'People who follow God', using examples from the bible and 'Incarnation' and Christian's believe in the Holy Trinity.

Physical Education

The children will have 2 hours of PE a week.

	Monday	Tuesday	Thursday
Year 3/4	ASM PE	-	ASM PE
Year 5/6	-	Swimming	ASM PE

Could you please ensure your child has the appropriate outdoor PE kit in school for this time of year, this should include trainers; shorts and a Great Wood t-shirt (keep jogging bottoms and warm tops in school). There will be chances to take part in competitive sport throughout the year at many different CADSSA (Cheadle and District School Sports Association) events as well as events put on by our Primary Schools Cluster.

Could we just say a big thank you for your continued support and look forward to making this term the best one yet! If you have any questions about the information above or any other issues that are concerning you, **please come in and see us at school**. You can ring to make an appointment on 01538 702355 or try and catch us at the beginning or end of the school day.

Mr. Adamson and Mrs. Furnival