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Monday 11<sup>th</sup> November 2024

Dear parents and carers,

#### Re: Year 1 Autumn 2 Half Term Curriculum

Below you will find a brief outline of the curriculum areas which we will be focusing upon in class throughout the second part of the autumn term in Year 1.

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.

Core Subjects	
Literacy	Our class text for this half term will be: 'Nibbles the Book Monster'.
	We will be learning about:
	<ul><li>Description;</li><li>Diary writing;</li><li>Fairy Tale structures.</li></ul>
	We will also be focusing on:
	<ul> <li>Continuing to use known graphemes and phonemes in order to correctly spell words used in writing;</li> <li>Learning more new graphemes and phonemes to aid reading;</li> <li>Exploring sentence structure and expanding sentences through conjunctions.</li> </ul>
	In Year 1, we will have daily phonics lessons to help teach, strengthen and support phonetic knowledge. Phonics is an important lesson within Year 1, as it is the building blocks of reading and writing;

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Maths/ Numeracy	<ul> <li>This term in Maths, we will be covering the following areas:</li> <li>Patterns;</li> <li>Measurement;</li> <li>Addition and Subtraction;</li> </ul> During these lessons we will begin to explore patterns in number and shape, looking at different forms of measurement, and investigating reasoning with addition and subtraction.		
Science	Our Science topic this half term will be ' <b>Who am I</b> '. During these lessons we will be learning about: Parts of the human body; How our bodies work; How to look after ourselves and keep our bodies healthy.		
Religious Education	During this half term we will be looking at the <b>Festivals and Celebrations.</b>		
Wider Curriculum			
Throughout the Wider Curriculum, cross-curricular links will be developed and the children will be given regular opportunities to reinforce and use their Literacy and Numeracy skills.			
History	During the Autumn term, children will be:		
	<ul> <li>About the similarities and differences between their own lives and that of those in the past;</li> <li>How to ask and answer historically based questions with accuracy and understanding;</li> <li>About how events and people fit together chronologically.</li> </ul>		
Computing	This half term, our focus will be on:		
	Basic Word Processing		
D&T	This term children will be designing their own playground equipment.		

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Physical Education.	Physical Education will be taught by ASM and myself. Please remember to have kit in schools, long hair tied back and no jewelry, including earrings.	
P.S.H.E – Personal, Social and Health Education	This term, we will be learning about:	
Music	Mrs. Whiteley will deliver our Music lessons throughout the year and they will be looking at <b>Long and Short Sounds</b> .	

Year 1's Weekly Schedule		
Monday		
Tuesday	<ul><li> Reading Books Changed</li><li> Homework handed in;</li></ul>	
Wednesday	<ul><li>Homework given out;</li><li>Forest School</li></ul>	
Thursday	• P.E.	
Friday	<ul> <li>P.E.,</li> <li>Reading Books Changed,</li> <li>Library Book Swap.</li> </ul>	

#### Reading Books

In Year 1, we will continue to send home the Read, Write, Inc. phonics books as home reading. These books have been levelled to each child based on their grapheme understanding and, as such, the children should be able to read their books independently. When reading the books, children may use techniques to split and blend works – this is completely ok! These phonic books should be read 3 times (once a night over 3 days) to help build fluency and word recognition. Due to this, reading books will be changed on a Tuesday and Friday each week.

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With a fantastic first half of the autumn term behind us, let's jump head first into the next, slight colder, half term! We will continue to have fun and learn as much as possible, while preparing for a festive end to the year. Look forward to songs, dancing and maybe a line or two to learn as Nativity season comes around.

I am looking forward to the term ahead and I am sure that you are too! If I, or any member of the school team can be of any help then please do not hesitate to contact us in person, over the phone or by the class email <u>yearone@tmpf.staffs.sch.uk</u>.

Kind regards for an exciting term ahead.

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