



Preston C of E Primary School Curriculum Information

Year

Y1

Term

Spring 2024

Dear Parents

This letter is designed to provide key information about learning this term.

SUBJECT	CONTENT
English	This term we will be learning from traditional tales. The children will be encouraged to retell stories, order events and use story language. They will learn the main elements that shape different texts. Throughout their work, they will explore the effect of patterns of language and repeated words and phrases. We will also practise reading, spelling of high frequency words with accuracy when writing in sentences.
Phonics	Children will be blending their sounds to read new words and they will be practising 'Alien Words' (synthetic phonics words). They will be encouraged to use their phonics to spell words independently when they are writing and learning to identify and use new graphemes.
Maths	Following the Year 1 Mathematical National Curriculum objectives, children will learn to; ♦ solve practical problems involving combining groups of 2, 5 or 10, sharing into equal groups. To say the number that is 1 more or less than any given number, and 10 more or less for multiples of 10. ♦ estimate, measure and compare objects using non-standard or standard units and measuring instruments. ♦ visualise and name common 3-D shapes and describe their features, use them to make patterns/pictures. ♦ use vocabulary related to time, read the time to the hour and half hour.
Science	This term, the topics in Science are plants and materials . Children will: ♦ Understand that plants have special parts and will be able to name them. ♦ Recognise different kinds of plants and spot the similarities and differences between them. ♦ Learn that plants need water and light to grow as well as describe the differences between plants grown in the light and in the dark. ♦ To use our senses to explore materials. ♦ To understand waterproof materials, through a fair test.
Computing	Programming: To develop an understanding of programmable devices using Beebots. Children will understand the importance of positional language, direction and learn to use basic algorithms. Data and Information: To group and compare objects. E-safety: Children will learn how to keep safe online.
Geography	♦ To develop our understanding of the United Kingdom and the 4 countries that it is made up of. ♦ To understand why different countries experience different climates.
History	Homes: To make comparisons between homes and home life in the past and the present.
RE	God and Salvation: Children will gain an understanding of Christianity, God and Salvation. In addition, they will gain knowledge that Easter is a special celebration for Christians, as well as finding out about the Church and its significance to Christians.
Music	Exploring Sounds: To use listening to understand the different sounds made by musical instruments.
Art	Woven Wonders: To explore a range of natural materials and use them in collage.
DT	Mechanisms: To construct a moving book. Food: To know that fruit and vegetables are an important part of a healthy diet; design and make a fruit dessert.
PSHE	Relationships: The importance of friends and asking for help. Healthy Lifestyles: To understand how to maintain a healthy body and healthy mind.
PE	Gymnastics: To develop skills through bounce, hops, springs and jumps. Games: To develop skills in controlling and moving a ball including striking.

Homework



MATHS

Homework will be based on work completed in class during the week.



ENGLISH

To use a pencil correctly and write sentences including finger spaces, full stop and capital letters.

Practise the list of **spellings** for the weekly test on **Friday**.



SPELLING

Continue to practise keyword spellings.

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READING

Please hear your child read frequently and allow them time to discuss the book.

Please encourage your child to apply their phonics to sound out unfamiliar words **independently**.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

Collective Worship takes place daily and will follow a Christian theme or event.

Homework is set on a Friday. Please help your child to complete their homework and return it to school before the following **Thursday**.

Please ensure your child has a complete PE kit, which fits them, in school at all times.

Special Events:

- ♦ Visit Noah's Ark Zoo Farm to learn about animals, their habitats and adaptations for living in different countries.
- ♦ History Workshop - The history of toys.
- ♦ Visit a local place of worship.