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'Growing Together'

Friday 10th September 2021

Year 3 Autumn Curriculum Overview 2021/22

Dear Parent/ Carer,

We hope that you and your family are well and enjoyed the summer break. As a year group team, we would like to take this opportunity to share with you an overview of the term ahead, with the aim to: -

- inform you of the **next steps** of your child's education;
- support your **at-home discussions** with your child(ren); and
- provide you with the tools to encourage **additional practise at home**.


Ribbon Virtues

Firstly, here is a reminder of Ribbon's key virtues. The 'RESPECT' framework supports our 'whole school approach' to be able to help children to develop these behaviour traits within everything we do at Ribbon. Our children will be praised and rewarded on the occasions that they showcase these virtues, so it is important they understand each virtue and when these are present in their behaviours.



Curriculum Overview

Please find below a grid, clearly showcasing what your child(ren) will be learning over the course of the autumn term.

Subject	In-Class Coverage
Phonics and Spelling	In phonics and spelling we will be learning to: - <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Consolidate Year 2 sounds and spellings • Spell common high frequency words
Reading	During our reading sessions we will be reading,  <p>We will be introducing different types of comprehension questions (which we call VIPERS) and practising these. The key skills we will be practicing include: -</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Exploring new vocabulary and understanding new definitions. • Developing empathy towards characters through inference.
Writing	In writing this term, we will be creating character descriptions, setting descriptions and composing a mini fact-file all based on the enchanting story of Starbird by Sharon King-Chai.
Maths	In maths , we will be looking at: - <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • number and place value; working with numbers up to and including thousands. • identifying amounts,




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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> comparing, estimating and ordering numbers. <p>Children can login in at home to practice their maths using Mathletics and TT Rockstars; Mathletics is certainly beneficial to children as we will be setting specific activities linked to in school learning.</p>
Science	<p>In science, additional to developing key scientific investigation skills, we will be developing our scientific knowledge in our topic 'Animals including humans' and 'Plants'. We will be focusing on: -</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Using different scientific enquiries to investigate these topics.
History	<p>In history lessons this term, children will be learning about Life during the Stone Age to the Iron Age periods. They will compare the change over time and how people survived.</p>
Geography	<p>In geography lessons this term, children will be learning about the United Kingdom and comparing and contrasting the countries of the UK. We also look at human and physical features. We will use maps to support our locational knowledge.</p>
RE	<p>We will begin to learning about the Hindu religion and how they worship.</p>
PE	<p>Our PE sessions this term will focus on invasion games and rounders skills.</p>
Computing	<p>In computing we will be introduced to Apples pages and programming.</p>
PSHE	<p>The topics we will begin with is 'Being me in my world' and moving on to 'Celebrating Differences'.</p>
Art & Design	<p>We will enjoy completing an enquiry using painting and drawing techniques.</p>
Design & Technology	<p>After researching and designing our own pizza, we will each create a final product. Followed by tasting and evaluating.</p>
Music	<p>The children will begin to learn to play a 'Boomwhacker' in order to start to follow musical notes on a staff.</p>
MFL	<p>A simple introduction to French using greetings and information about myself.</p>

Key Reminders

PE Kits	Reading at Home
	
<p>Full PE kits must be brought into school every Monday. This will be returned each Friday ready for the following week. Children need to wear Ribbon kit which consists of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> black hoody jersey bottoms green shorts (weather dependent) 	<p>It's vitally important that your child practises their reading at home on a little, yet often basis. This will develop their confidence, fluency and love for reading. Your child must bring their reading book to school every day so we can support them to do the same. Together let's support your child to clock-up their reading miles!</p>



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Practising At Home

On the occasion that your child cannot attend school, please access the below online platforms to support the learning and practice of your children's knowledge and skills. For some platforms, you will need to locate your child's log in details.

<i>TT Rockstars</i>	<i>Bitesize</i>	<i>Oak National Academy</i>	<i>Mathletics</i>	<i>Reading Plus</i>	<i>Accelerated Reader</i>
					
Click the Link	Click the Link	Click the Link	Click the Link	Click the Link	Click the Link

Key Dates

<i>Event</i>	<i>Date</i>	<i>Time</i>
<i>School Closes for Half Term</i>	Friday 22nd October 2021	3:30pm
<i>School Reopens</i>	Monday 1st November 2021	9:00am
<i>School Closes for Christmas</i>	Friday 17th December 2021	3:30pm
<i>School Reopens</i>	Tuesday 4th January 2022	9:00am

We strongly discourage holidays taken during term time. For more information, please contact **Mrs K Maddison (Family Support Advisor)** via main reception.

Thank you in advance for your support over this coming term.

Kindest regards,
Mrs. Bates, Mrs. Callan and Mrs. Dixon
(Year 3 Team)