



Key Stage 1 Curriculum Newsletter, Summer 1



<p>English</p> <p>This half term we are reading the book 'Lost and Found' by Oliver Jeffers. We will learn how to write questions using question words and question marks. We will write a letter to the penguin in the story to ask them how they are getting on in the Antarctic. We will then move on to look at the book 'We Are Water Protectors' by Carole Lindstrom, where we will find out about some important environmental issues. We will write using adjectives ending in -er and -est to compare and contrast.</p>	<p>Science</p> <p>We are focusing on plants this term. In Year One, we are learning about common garden plants and their parts. In Year Two, we are learning about germination, pollination and the parts of a seed. We will also investigate the basic needs of all plants.</p> <p>Geography</p> <p>This term, we are focusing on Frome. We will find out about what the features of a village, town and city are as well as locate Frome and its key features on a variety of different maps. We will also learn the difference in human and physical features and spot these different features around our home town.</p>	<p>Maths</p> <p>In Year One, we will continue learning about capacity and volume. We will measure and compare mass and volume. We will also begin to learn about multiplication and division. Children will learn to count in 2s, 5s and 10s. They will then learn to recognise equal groups and make arrays.</p> <p>In Year Two we will move on from the 2, 5 and 10x tables (though pupils can continue to practise these on TT Rockstars). This term, pupils will learn how to measure objects using rulers in centimetres and metres. They will measure capacity using millilitres and temperature using degrees Celsius.</p>
<p>Reading</p> <p><i>“Learning to read is the foundation for success in every subject.”</i></p> <p>Children will continue to bring home two phonics reading books to practise reading with you, along with a 'sharing book'. Please continue to listen to your child read daily. Regular reading at home is vital for their progress and helps develop their confidence, fluency, and understanding.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Diary Dates</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Back to school: Monday 20th April - Bank Holiday Monday: Monday 4th May - Last Day of Term: Friday 22nd May - INSET Day: Monday 1st June - First Day of Summer Term 2: Tuesday 2nd June 	<p>Handwriting</p> <p>We will be trialling a new handwriting scheme in Year 1 and 2 linked to our phonics scheme, Read, Write, Inc. It is very interactive and the children are enjoying it so far. Do give children lots of chances to write at home and show off their handwriting improvements!</p>
<p>Phonics</p> <p>Parents of Year 1 children and some Year 2 children (who have been contacted) – Please continue to practise phonics at home with your child to support their preparation for the Phonics Screening Check. We are sending phonics videos on Seesaw and paper-based phonics activities weekly.</p>	<p>Sunny Weather, Drink Bottles, Book Bags and PE kits</p> <p>During the summer months, please make sure children have a sun hat and have sun cream applied before school. They also need a water bottle every day.</p> <p>Please ensure it is filled with water and not squash. Children need to bring their book bag to school daily with their reading books. Please make sure your child comes to school with their PE kit on PE days and they will bring their kit home on Fridays each week.</p>	<p>DT/Music/RE/PSHE</p> <p>In DT, we will be making a healthy fruit salad. We will learn about different fruits as well as packaging for our product. We will finish our DT day by evaluating the product we have made. In music children will learn to play a tune on the glockenspiel. In RE we will be exploring prayers and reflections from different religious and non-religious viewpoints. In PSHE, we will be thinking about 'relationships' looking at families and finding out how each family is different. We will also identify what a good friend means to us.</p>
<p>PE Days</p> <p>Poplar – Mondays & Fridays Hawthorn – Mondays & Fridays Ash – Thursdays & Fridays</p>	<p>Computing</p> <p>In Computing, we will begin a 2-term topic focusing on programming in Scratch. We will make animations and quizzes using the free, online programming tool.</p>	