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CURRICULUM INFORMATION



**Key Stage One
Year 1/2
Summer Term 2009**

What are we learning about this term?

ENGLISH

In Cherry and Chestnut classes the children will start the term by learning about fantasy world stories. They will read and compare stories with a range of different fantasy settings. They will use drama to put their own adventure story together and use their ideas to write their own adventure story.

In the second half of the term the children will be looking at information books. They will learn to use dictionaries and glossaries and learn the terms 'fact' and 'fiction.' The children will later write their own short report about another curriculum area.

In Cedar class the children will start the term by looking at a range of stories by the same author. They will compare the stories and identify the author's written style. They will then plan and write their own complete stories.

In the second half of term the children will read different reports and information texts. They will then write their own reports on a particular area.

We will continue to have a daily phonics session. The children will work their way through the different sounds based on what they need to learn next. Key words and tricky spellings are taught as part of these lessons.

MATHEMATICS

In Maths the children will develop and consolidate their knowledge of the number system. They will learn to read and write larger numbers, work on sequences of numbers and learn more about addition and subtraction. The Year 2 children will develop this by learning more about the relationship between addition and subtraction and learning pencil and paper methods to work out number sentences.

The children in Year 1 will learn more about sorting shapes and position and movement. They will continue patterns using shapes and learn more about describing 2d and 3d shapes. Year 2 children will move on to identifying right angles and matching solid shapes to pictures.

In work on measures and data, Year 1 children will learn how to read a block graph and gather information. They will also learn how to compare different lengths and amounts of liquid. Year 2 children will consolidate how to measure something in metres and centimetres and measure weight in Kilograms or half kilograms.

SCIENCE

In the first half of term the children will learn more about materials. Through this unit children learn about the characteristics of materials and uses of a range of common materials and words for describing and comparing them.

Experimental and investigative work focuses on:

- thinking about what is expected to happen
- turning ideas into a form that can be tested
- making observations and comparisons.

In the second half of term the work introduces children to the concept of electricity and the essential role it plays in everyday life. It introduces children to the hazards associated with mains electricity.

Experimental and investigative work focuses on:

- thinking about what is expected to happen and whether results support the prediction
- exploring and testing circuits
- making observations and explaining what has been found out.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

In RE the children will learn more about what it means to belong. They will learn more about different religious beliefs and what they mean.

INFORMATION AND COMMUNICATION TECHNOLOGY (ICT)

In ICT the children will learn how to create pictures and images using a picture making package. They will explore and identify ways to develop and improve their work. They will learn to select and use simple tools and understand that work can be amended. The children will also learn how to create writing alongside the pictures.

HISTORY

In History the children will learn about The Great Fire of London, they will learn where this fits in History, how the fire started and what happened during and after. They will learn about how records can be kept from the time in the form of a Diary.

Alongside this work, the children will also develop their understanding of houses and homes in the past. They will look at similarities and differences between homes today and homes in the past. They will learn more about the features of buildings and household objects.

GEOGRAPHY

None this term

MUSIC

In music this term the children will explore how symbols can represent music and move on to learn about rhymes and songs with musical patterns.

ART AND DESIGN

This half term the children will learn about pattern and texture by looking at buildings they make rubbings and produce prints using patterns in buildings for ideas.

DESIGN AND TECHNOLOGY

Design and technology will be done in the second half of term. The children will learn more about making structures taking ideas from buildings. They will make their own models using different materials and construction kits.

PHYSICAL EDUCATION

In PE the children will be doing a range of activities and games to develop their aiming, throwing and catching skills. They will also be developing their bat and ball skills through a variety of activities.

What else is happening?

SEAL Time

Each term, we focus on a particular aspect of Social & Emotional Aspects of Learning (S.E.A.L).

This term, we will be looking at the theme of 'RELATIONSHIPS'.

Homework

It is essential that the children continue to read on a daily basis. Please initial your child's reading record when you hear them and feel free to make any other comments about their reading.

MONDAY	Reading
TUESDAY	Reading
WEDNESDAY	Reading
THURSDAY	Your child will receive spellings from their phonics teacher
FRIDAY	Reading

Clubs

Skill 7 Football	Tuesday 3.15 – 5.15pm
Games Library and Shared Reading	Friday 8.50am 9.10am
Gym Club	Friday 3.15 – 4.00pm

Forthcoming Events

Quiz Night	Friday 1st May
Bank Holiday	Monday 4th May
Year 2 SATs	w/c 8th June
Sports Day	Wednesday 17th June
Family Fun Day	Sunday 5th July
Open Evening	TBA