

CURRICULUM NEWSLETTER

Term 1 – September 2022

Dear Families,

We hope the children enjoyed the summer break and are settling into their new classes. The staff are ready for an action-packed term full of fun learning opportunities for your children! Each term, I will write to tell you about the learning focus for your child's project. Your child will soon bring their project's knowledge organiser home- on these you will find core facts, important information and key vocabulary to learn. Please keep knowledge organisers to hand and refer to them regularly with your child- this will help them remember more about their learning.

Date for your diary

Thursday 13th October: We will welcome parents in from **2pm** to see their children, classrooms and so that we can showcase the children's learning.



Remaining **INSET** days for 2022/2023 (**School will be closed** for children):

*30th September 2022

*3rd January 2023

*31st March 2023

*5th June 2023

End of term 1 is Friday 21st October. (Usual finish time.)

Here is an overview of this term's projects:

Nursery - 'Me and My Community'

This project supports children with settling into the new rules and routines of nursery and encourages them to make new friends and feel confident in their group. It teaches children about being helpful, kind and thoughtful at home and at school. This project also teaches children how they are unique and special, the importance of friendship and how people in their family, school and local community are important and can help them.

Year R - 'Let's Explore'

Children will begin settling into their new classes and school with their class adults. Their project teaches them about the environments that they share with others, including their homes, school and places in the local community.

Year 1 – 'Bright Lights, Big City'

This project teaches children about the physical and human characteristics of the United Kingdom, including a detailed exploration of the characteristics and features of the capital city, London.

Year 2 – 'Coastline'

This project teaches children about the physical and human features of coastal regions across the United Kingdom, including a detailed exploration of the coastal town of Whitby, in Yorkshire and our local coastal town of Ramsgate.

Year 3 – ‘Rocks, Relics and Rumbles’

This project teaches children about the features and characteristics of Earth's layers, including a detailed exploration of volcanic, tectonic and seismic activity.



Year 4 – ‘Ancient Civilisations’

This project teaches children about the history of three of the world's first ancient civilisations: ancient Sumer, ancient Egypt and the Indus Valley civilisation. Children will learn about the rise, life, achievements and eventual end of each civilisation.



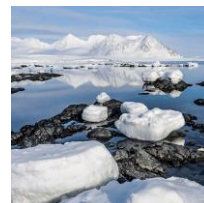
Year 5 – ‘Sow, Grow and Farm’

This project teaches children about the features and characteristics of land use in agricultural regions across the world, including a detailed exploration of significant environmental areas.



Year 6 – ‘Frozen Kingdoms’

This project teaches children about the characteristics and features of polar regions, including the North and South Poles, and includes a detailed exploration of the environmental factors that shape and influence them.



PE

Children are expected to bring their PE kits in to school at the start of the term and change into their kit prior to the PE lesson. Please support your child by ensuring they have a PE kit in school at all times. Children should wear their house colour t-shirt and dark jogging bottoms or shorts. Occasionally, PE days may change due to events and bad weather. For the majority of the time, the PE days will stay on the days listed here. →

PE days:

Year R - Tuesdays

Year 1 - Thursdays and Fridays

Year 2 - Mondays and Wednesdays

Year 3 - Tuesdays and Thursdays

Year 4 – Wednesdays and Fridays

Year 5 – Wednesdays and Fridays

Year 6 – Tuesdays and Thursdays

If you have any further questions, please ask your child's class teacher.

Regards,

Mrs L. Bradbury

Deputy Headteacher