



*In the Light of Jesus
we Learn to Shine*

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Dear Parents and Carers,

We welcome you to the start of a very busy term. For your information we are sending you an overview of the curriculum your child will be covering in the summer term. This information may enable you to take your child on visits and/or find library books or other resources that will support their learning.

The **Phonic Screening Check** will take place in the week beginning **10 June 2019**.

<p>Religious Education:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Serving - our theme for serving is Holidays and Holy days. The children will know that Sunday is the special day of the week. Through scripture they will learn that Pentecost is a special celebration of the gift of the Holy Spirit, through whom the risen life of Jesus is given. • Being Sorry - the children will learn that it is important to make choices in the light of our belief in a loving God. They will know that there are times when we need to acknowledge our sorrow for making wrong choices and that the Church offers the Sacrament of Reconciliation. Through scripture they will learn about God's unconditional love for us. • Neighbours - the children will learn that the Church is universal; it is the people that God gathers in the whole world. Through scripture the children will learn that loving our neighbour is an essential part of Christian living. • Other Faiths - the children will learn that Muslims are followers of the religion of Islam and they will learn that the special person for Muslims is Mohammed. 	<p>English:</p> <p>Handwriting: to form lower case and upper case letters in the correct direction, starting and finishing in the right place.</p> <p>Writing, grammar, punctuation work: to combine words to make a sentence by using capital letters, finger spaces, full stop, question mark or exclamation mark. To use joining words and joining clauses e.g. 'and'. To practise composing a sentence orally before writing it. Sequence sentences to form short narratives.</p> <p>Reading: to read for pleasure. To practise reading aloud accurately from books that is consistent with a developing knowledge of phonics. To check that the text makes sense to them as they read and correct inaccurate reading. To be able to participate in discussions about what is read to them.</p> <p>Spoken language: the children will be encouraged to speak clearly and confidently. They will be encouraged to build up a repertoire of poems learnt by heart, appreciating these and reciting some, with appropriate intonation to make the meaning clear.</p> <p>Phonics and spellings: daily phonic sessions continue to cover more graphemes and phonemes. Alternative pronunciations for graphemes will also be introduced.</p>
<p>Maths:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Groups and rows Children will learn to recognise pattern in number and sequences; Counting in 2s, 5s and 10s. • Money To recognise the value of coins and use them to give correct amounts and change. • Problem solving. To solve one step problems using addition and subtraction. • Shape To name and describe the properties of 3D shapes. • Multiplication and division Problem solving of fractions - to recognise $\frac{1}{2}$ of something as two equal parts, $\frac{1}{4}$ as four equal parts • Addition and subtraction To recap number bonds and related subtraction facts within 20. 	<p>Science:</p> <p>Plants and animals: the children will name common wild and garden plants and understand the basic structure of plants. They will be planting a variety of vegetables and observe their growth.</p> <p>Animals: Children will identify and name a variety of animals. They will learn to identify animals that are omnivores, carnivores and herbivores</p>

<p>Computing: Through the Creative curriculum the children will learn about some of the ways in which the use of ICT and computing affects people's lives. They will be able to use programs, apps and computer networks to find, organise and classify information.</p> <p>This term our topic is called 'We are Photographers'. In this unit the children will learn how to take good quality photographs and use these within a non-fiction book.</p> <p>Online-safety: the children will continue to use technology safely and respectfully, keeping personal information private.</p>	<p>P.E.</p> <p>All Year 1 children will have two PE lessons per week, there will be one indoor and one outdoor lesson.</p> <p>The lessons will concentrate on improving balance, agility manipulative skills and co-ordination through games and dance.</p> <p>The children will also be learning key football skills.</p> <p>Please note that Thursday 27 June is KS1 Sports Day.</p>
<p>Music:</p> <p>This term the children will be learning about the interrelated dimensions of music through a variety of games and singing.</p>	
<p>Creative Curriculum: (including the Key Skills in Geography, History, Art and D.T.)</p> <p>Our 'It's Alive' topic this half term will include learning about animals and their habitats. We will also be learning about the places people go on holiday through our topic 'Hooray...Lets go on holiday.'</p> <p>The children will be learning about animals and their habitats, plants and living things in the first half-term. The children will identify and name a variety of common wild and garden plants and will identify and describe the basic structure of a plant. They will identify and name a variety of common animals including fish, amphibians, reptiles, birds and mammals. They will also learn which common animals are carnivores, herbivores or omnivores.</p> <p>After half term the focus will be on holidays and learn that they are special days when people take a rest from school and work. They will find out about the places people go on holiday and how they get to their holiday destination. They will explore some of the things that people do on holiday and how tourism can spoil holiday places.</p> <p>The children will learn that holiday destinations in the past were very different to holidays today. They will learn how today, we can travel to all parts of the world and space; they will find out about future holidays in space! In art the children will be creating sand art sculptures and they will look at the design of some holiday souvenirs.</p>	

Miscellaneous:

Please could you ensure your child brings their reading bag to school each day. Please encourage your child to read at home and if possible to visit the local library. Every child should be encouraged to read regularly, daily, if they require it. Please also remember to sign the Home and School Diary when you have heard your child read at home. Weekly maths tasks remain as homework; last term we were pleased with the overall response to these activities. The children will also be given weekly phonic tasks in preparation for the phonics screening check.

Please make sure your child has the correct P.E. kit in school on the appropriate days, clearly marked with their name. May we also take this opportunity to remind parents and carers that for health and safety reasons, **no jewellery** can be worn during P.E. lessons and those children who use Inhalers must have them in school.

If you have any questions or concerns please make an appointment to meet with your child's class teacher or Year Leader, or alternatively make an appointment through the main school office.

Thank you for your continued support and involvement in your child's learning.

Yours sincerely,

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