

# Curriculum Matters

## Year 1 Autumn 1 2021

Our theme this half term is 'Who am I? What am I?' Our learning includes:

- The life cycle of humans.
- How we are the same and how we are different to other animals.
- The difference between a carnivore and herbivore.
- Identifying the five senses.
- Making fruit kebabs.
- Tasting, describing and sketching fruit and vegetables.
- Drawing a self portrait.



You can help your child at home by naming different fruits and vegetables and talking about a balanced diet. If appropriate, you might discuss how to care for pets. You could talk about different animals and what they eat. A visit to the local library will show your child that books are for pleasure and for finding out information!



## ENGLISH

In English we will be reading and exploring stories with familiar settings. This will include stories which are set in homes, schools, parks etc. We will be reading stories such as 'The tiger who came to tea' and 'This is the bear'. We will also be reading and writing instructions. Following simple recipes will help your child as will daily reading and applying learnt phonemes.

Our English objectives this half term as outlined by the new curriculum are:

- To leave spaces between words.
- To punctuate sentences using a capital letter and a full stop.
- To use a capital letter for days of the week.

## Maths



This half term we will be focussing on the following areas as outlined by the new curriculum:

- Practising counting reliably up to 100 forwards and backwards.
- Count, read and write numbers to 10 in numerals and words.
- Make 10 and 20 in different ways.

Wherever possible, our new learning will be applied to real life problems and situations. Playing dominoes, board games, and board games can help your child to understand numbers and counting.

## Music

In music children will:



- Listen, follow and copy simple musical patterns
- Use simple instruments
- Make sounds using our bodies

## ICT

Children will begin to use lap tops in class to use 2paint to draw a self portrait and 2publish to make a poster.



## P.E.

Year One PE day is on a Tuesday. For this half term we will also have a dance session every Thursday. Please ensure that your child comes to school in the correct kit on these days.

We will be practising our ball skills and control. We will also be playing ball games using a variety of equipment.



## R.E.

The children will be learning about belonging to a family, a club or a school. You could encourage your child to join Beavers or Rainbows to develop a sense of community.



## Finally...



Reading books will be changed once a week. Please ensure you hear your child read during the week and sign in the blue record book. Homework will be sent via seesaw every Friday.

any questions!