

Key Stage 1 Curriculum Newsletter

Autumn Term 1 (2020)

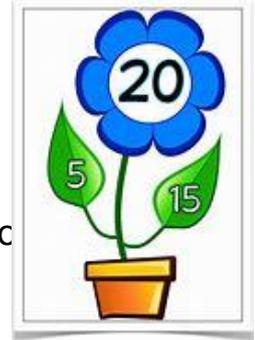
WELCOME BACK!

All of the KS1 team would just like to take this opportunity to say how wonderful it is to see all of the children back in school with their beaming smiles and readiness to learn. The children have got a busy but exciting half term ahead of them!

Maths

This half term the children will primarily focus on:

- place value,
- mental recall of number bonds and times tables,
- exploring addition and subtraction,
- reasoning about numbers and explaining their calculations



English

This half term we will focus on:

- developing the children's reading fluency skills,
- answering different types of questions about a range of texts,
- learning to read and spell common exception words appropriate to your child's year group,
- consistently forming letters carefully and accurately (ascenders/descenders),
- writing sentences accurately and editing their own work,
- recognising and using different grammatical terminology in their writing.

Science

Our topic this half term is **Materials**. We will be focusing on:

- identifying and classifying materials according to their use,
- making and recording observations about different materials,
- answering questions through practical investigations,
- researching people who have developed useful materials.

Art

The children will be looking at **Portraiture** this half term in

The children will:

- record their observations of shape and colour,
- mix paint to create secondary colours,
- create tints with paint,
- create pieces of work in the style of portrait artists,
- give opinions about their own work and the work of others.



History

Our history topic is **Heroes and Villians** with a particular focus on Admiral Nelson. The children will:

- learn about the life of Admiral Nelson,
- learn about how important the navy was to national security,
- understand Nelson's role in the Battle of Trafalgar,
- be able to identify the features Nelson's war ship – HMS Victory.



Computing

Our computing topic this half term is **Digital Artist and Animator**. The children will learn how to independently open and use a word document, find a webpage on the internet and create a simple animation using KomaKoma.

PE

This half term the children will be practising and refining their throwing skills as well as developing their team skills and coordination during outside games.

RE

In RE this half term our big question is '**What do Christians Believe God is Like?**' The children will learn what a parable is learn to retell the parable of 'The Lost Son', think about why God is always forgiving and loving and discuss how Christians put their beliefs into practice.



PSHE

In PSHE lessons, the children will be looking at **feelings and emotions**.

If you would like any further information about the topics that your children will be covering this half term, or if you have any other questions or concerns, please feel free contact us.

Many thanks,

Miss Beasley, Miss Rogers and Miss Tse

