



CURRICULUM OVERVIEW 2018-2019 **YEAR 2 ~ AUTUMN 2nd HALF TERM**

Come and See

The first part of the term we will complete the topic of Signs and Symbols focusing on the Sacrament of Baptism. The next topic we will be studying another faith, Judaism. The focus will be on looking at the family celebration of Shabbat. We will make Challah bread, find out about the activities and rituals observed by the family during the celebration of Shabbat. The next topic the children will learn about how we prepare for the Nativity of Our Lord. The children will learn about the birth of Jesus as a religious story and have an opportunity to perform in the Infant Nativity and school Carol Service.



English

In English this term our texts will be linked to our history learning challenge of famous people and events and PHSE work. In writing we will learn how to write a recount and create fact files based on our topics. The children will be designing posters during anti-bullying week and Keep Safe week. In writing the children will consolidate their understanding of the sentences form, statement, command, question, exclamation.

In their grammar work we will look at word classes, nouns, adjectives and verbs and apply their learning in their writing. Handwriting will continue to focus on letter size and spacing and looking at the flicks on letters in preparation for joining.

The children will continue with their guided reading sessions with the focus on reading information texts and identifying different features. The children will be encouraged to read a wide range of books both in class and in school to improve their flow, pace and expression.

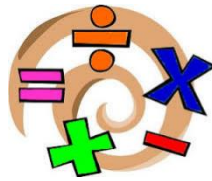
In all areas the children will be encouraged to develop their speaking and listening skills through role play, discussions in class, group and pairs. They will have the opportunity to express their opinion and views on different topics.





Mathematics

In maths the children will be learning about the formal calculations of multiplication and division. They will use base 10 apparatus to help them understand the concept of multiplication and division. They will start learning their 2, 5 and 10 times tables and learn to apply this in problem solving activities. Later on in the term the children will start to learn about the standard measurements of length and mass. They will have the opportunity to work with practical apparatus and use their knowledge of the four calculation rules to problem solving activities using length and mass.



Computing

The children will create pictures using graphics software linked to Bonfire night. They will use videos and search engines to research about Remembrance and Guy Fawkes. We will continue to remind the children of the importance of E-safety and especially during our Keeping Safe week.

Learning Challenge- History

'Why do we have Remembrance Day?'

'Who was Guy Fawkes?'

In our History topics this term we will learn about important significant events and people in British History. We will use a variety of resources such as books and videos to ask and answer questions. The children will link their work in History to art by creating pictures using different materials.

During the topics children will develop their understanding of chronology and the passing of time and begin to use a range of appropriate words and phrases to describe the past.



Science

'Why wouldn't a tiger make a good pet?'

During this topic the children will have the opportunity to learn about different animals and their offspring and their life cycle. They will research what animals, including humans need to survive. We will investigate very simple food chains. The children will be visiting Chester Zoo to support all of their learning around animals.



Creative Arts

The children will be using a wide range of materials to create a poppy wreath. They will use pencils, chalks and charcoals to create a 'Bonfire Scene'. They will be making a range of Christmas crafts as we move closer to Christmas. In music the focus will be singing and dance linked to the Infant Nativity.



PSHE

We have a very busy half term ahead with lots of themed days linked to children's emotional and social development. During anti-bullying week we will be focusing on 'Choose Respect' as a theme. During Keeping Safe week, we will focus on stranger danger and road safety. Our visit to the Life Centre will focus on how we keep safe around medicines and talking about feelings and how we should respond to each other.



P.E

In PE the focus in dance will be creating sequences of moves within a group for our Christmas Nativity. In games the children will continue to develop their co-ordination using small apparatus in games. They will have the opportunity to work with partners and develop the skills of team work and co-operation.

