

CURRICULUM OVERVIEW 2018-2019

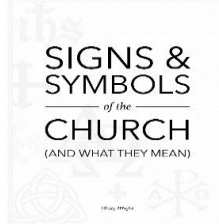
YEAR 2 ~ AUTUMN 1ST HALF TERM

Come and See

In the topic Beginnings the children will be learning 'Who made the world and everything in it?' They will know and understand the many beginnings each day offers and that God is present in every beginning. Children will look at scripture related to creation and will write their own prayers and litany related to the topic of Beginnings.



The next topic Signs and Symbols the children will discuss 'Are signs and symbols important?' They will know and understand that they belong to God's family at home, at school and in the church family. The children will also know and understand the signs and symbols of Baptism.



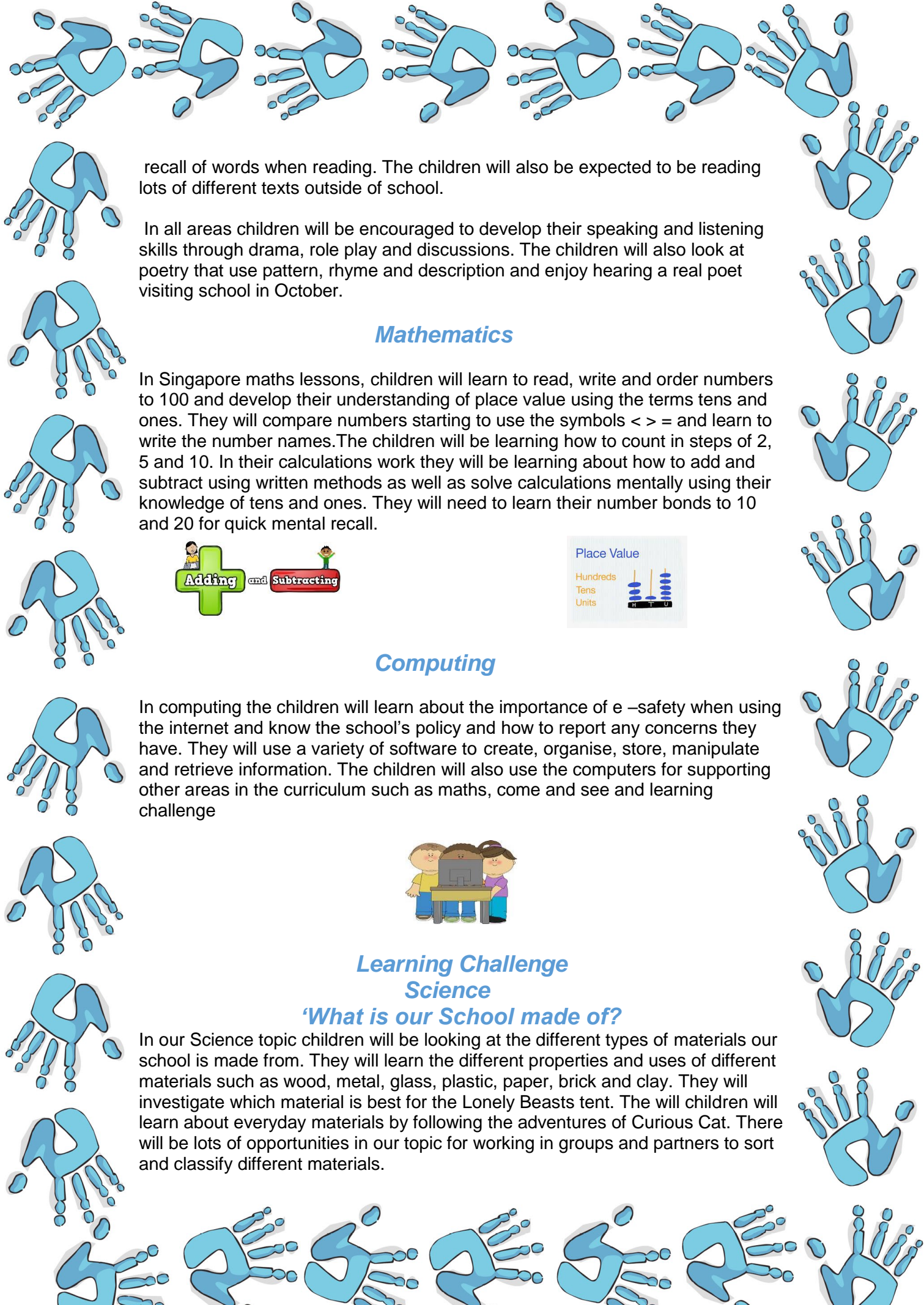
English

Texts: The Lonely Beast



In English this term our focus texts will be based on the Lonely Beast series of books. The children will learn about how to sequence stories and make storyboards, write character profiles and write letters to the characters in the stories. They will have the opportunity for role play and drama linked to the stories. Their focus for grammar will be different sentence types, statement, command, question and exclamation. They will look at word classes such as nouns, adjectives and verbs. When writing children will be encouraged to use a fullstop, capital letter and question mark accurately. Spelling this term will focus on learning to spell all common exception words for year 1 and 2. Handwriting will focus on the correct size and shape of letters and spacing of words correctly.

The children will continue with their guided reading sessions using the Read, Write, Inc texts as well as reading a range of books from our school library. The focus for reading this term is to build up fluency and automatic

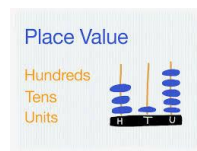


recall of words when reading. The children will also be expected to be reading lots of different texts outside of school.

In all areas children will be encouraged to develop their speaking and listening skills through drama, role play and discussions. The children will also look at poetry that use pattern, rhyme and description and enjoy hearing a real poet visiting school in October.

Mathematics

In Singapore maths lessons, children will learn to read, write and order numbers to 100 and develop their understanding of place value using the terms tens and ones. They will compare numbers starting to use the symbols $<$ $>$ $=$ and learn to write the number names. The children will be learning how to count in steps of 2, 5 and 10. In their calculations work they will be learning about how to add and subtract using written methods as well as solve calculations mentally using their knowledge of tens and ones. They will need to learn their number bonds to 10 and 20 for quick mental recall.



Computing

In computing the children will learn about the importance of e –safety when using the internet and know the school's policy and how to report any concerns they have. They will use a variety of software to create, organise, store, manipulate and retrieve information. The children will also use the computers for supporting other areas in the curriculum such as maths, come and see and learning challenge



Learning Challenge Science

'What is our School made of?'

In our Science topic children will be looking at the different types of materials our school is made from. They will learn the different properties and uses of different materials such as wood, metal, glass, plastic, paper, brick and clay. They will investigate which material is best for the Lonely Beasts tent. The will children will learn about everyday materials by following the adventures of Curious Cat. There will be lots of opportunities in our topic for working in groups and partners to sort and classify different materials.

Geography

The children will be learning about their town Widnes. They will use atlases and maps to locate it and identify the different countries that make up the United Kingdom. They will look at the different features in Widnes focusing on natural and man-made. The children will be drawing their own simple maps of our school learning to use a key from looking at aerial pictures using google earth.



Creative Arts

The Art and DT will be related to our topics of the Lonely Beast and Science. They will try to build their own bridge looking at the new and old Widnes, Runcorn bridge. They will develop and record ideas through painting and drawing using first hand observations using pastels and charcoals. The children will listen to and respond to music- discuss choices of music for key moments in the 'Lonely Beast' story and use untuned musical instruments to retell the story

PSHE

The children will be learning about the significance of World peace Day and developing their understanding of the wider world. During World mental health day, we will focus on our emotions and the importance of recognising different emotions and how to manage our feelings. During the term we will also learn about how we can contribute to the wider world through participating in events such as the MacMillan Coffee morning. Year 2 will also lead the Harvest Assembly in October.



P.E

The children will create their own Beast dance working individually and within a group showing an understanding of expressive qualities using different types of music. In games they will develop the skills of throwing, catching, sending and receiving different types of equipment.

French

The children will have the opportunity to take part in an after school french club. They will learn to speak a few simple phrases and sing some songs.