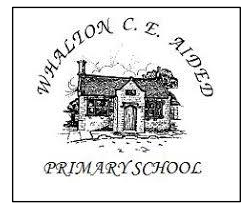




Spring Term 2019

Year 1 Curriculum Newsletter



A Happy New Year to you all.

Our learning this term builds on from the autumn as we further explore our amazing world. We will travel back into the past comparing old with new, while also looking at the world directly around us as well as further afield.

PE:

This term we welcome the return of our amazing gymnastics coach, Sam. He will be helping us to expand on our learning from last year; challenging us in our precision of movement.

Gymnastics will take place on **Tuesday** rather than Thursdays – please note this change. Your child will need to come in PE kit on Tuesday and normal uniform on Thursday.

For the second part of the term we resume with football; switching back to a Thursday for the PE session!

We continue with our Swimming on **Wednesday** afternoons.

Art and Design:

As winter moves to spring we will be learning through a variety of mediums to record what we see and feel. The theme of 'Space' will give us opportunities to express our creative ideas whether through collage, paint or 3D construction.

Science:

The key learning for the year continues to be: 'Seasonal Changes', 'Everyday Materials' and 'Plants and Animals including Humans'. Through the Spring term we will continue to observe the changes to our world through the changing seasons. As Spring brings forth new growth we will look at plants and how they grow. We will continue to explore materials and how they are best suited for certain jobs. We will be considering scientific questions and how we can find the answers. We will have the opportunity to talk about being humans yet also animals.

Weekly Events:

Spelling Test: As you will have realised over the past term we now have our Spelling test on Fridays. The new list covering the term was sent out prior to the holidays. If you have mislaid it don't hesitate to ask for another one.

Homework: Firstly, thank you for all the support you give to your child's learning through the weekly homework activities. As predicted we needed to make a small change to when homework is sent out and given in. Homework will be sent out on Fridays and handed back in the following Wed/ Thursday.

French:

We welcome a new french teacher to our school. She will be teaching across the school on Wednesday mornings.

Geography:

In Geography, we will be considering our locality, and thinking about the differences between our village and Morpeth town. We will continue to consider our planet and its key features including the moon. We will also be looking at other planets in our solar system.

As the seasons progress we will watch and experiences the changes that they bring to the weather and effect on our environment.

Computing:

We continue to keep ourselves safe while using the computers to enhance our learning across the curriculum.

RE:

We follow on from Christmas into the new year. This allows us to talk about how different people celebrate the arrival of new year.

We continue learning about the Christian faith, thinking about why Christians think that Jesus is good news We will listen to the Good Samaritan and story of the 10 lepers found in the Bible; using them to think how we might help others in need.

The term ends at Easter, allowing us to revisit the Easter story and consider why Easter matters to Christians.

History:

We will be looking at and comparing objects which are used today to those used in the past. We will be learning about people who have changed the world through space travel. We will be considering ourselves and what we were like in the past and how we have changed.

PSHE:

Our social and emotional skills continue to develop as we learn together. There will be many opportunities to share our thoughts and opinions and consider our feelings when we find others don't always agree.