

Blue and White Class Curriculum Report

Spring Term 2024

Welcome to an exciting new term in Blue and White Class. Please remember that school starts at **9.00am**. Children arriving after this time will miss important handwriting and reading sessions.

Class Assemblies:

White Class - Friday 26th January 2024

Blue Class - Friday 9th February 2024

ENGLISH



This term sees the continuation of our Literacy programme- Read, Write Inc (RWI). RWI is a phonics based programme which has been written for schools wishing to adopt a cohesive approach to the teaching of Literacy. It is designed for children in Reception and Year One and can support the needs of all children in any age group.

RWI teaches children to read and spell phonetically, developing a vocabulary for talking and writing and leading towards independent writing. All the children in Year One have been assessed and placed in an appropriate levelled group. This means that the children in Blue and White class will be taught by a variety of people, not necessarily by their own class teacher, during the Literacy time in the morning.

MATHS



This term in Maths, we will be continuing to follow the 'Mathematics Mastery' approach. The areas we will cover are: Time, Exploring calculation strategies within 20, Numbers to 50, Adding and Subtracting within 50, Fractions and Measures: length and mass.

Please continue practising **number bonds to 10/20** at home with your child to ensure they are secure with recalling these number facts. Don't forget to give your child every opportunity to count, whether it be money for shopping, measuring ingredients for cooking or telling the time.

SCIENCE:



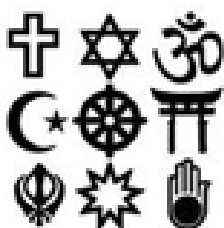
This term we will be focusing on 'Plants', whilst continuing our work about 'Changing Seasons'. Over the course of the term, we will be learning about plants that grow in the United Kingdom and in our local area. The children will also have the opportunity to grow and study their own plants. Through both science topics we will encourage the children to hypothesize, predict and evaluate experiments.

COMPUTING



Most of our Computing learning is a classroom based activity. As well as using laptops and iPads to support learning, we teach explicit Computing skills within our classrooms. We will be learning about algorithms and how we can give instructions using a beebot. We will use the software; Busy Things to learn how to create, organise, store, manipulate and retrieve digital content. At the same time we will be teaching your child how to use technology safely and respectfully, so please ensure you always talk to your child about internet safety.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION



In Religious Education, we will be looking at a variety of world religions. The children will be learning about the importance and meaning of different symbols in major world faiths, festivals and rituals. This will be done through discussions and asking questions.

DESIGN AND TECHNOLOGY



In Design and Technology, we will be focusing on Cooking and Nutrition, which will teach the children how to eat more healthily and how to prepare and cook simple dishes. This is always a popular activity and the children will learn about the various parts of and uses for plants.

HUMANITIES



Our Humanities focus for this term will be History . We will focus on 'Why do we remember Dick Whittington' and why he is a significant figure in our locality.

The next half term will be Geography as our focus is on the United Kingdom, We will be focusing on all 4 countries and their characteristics through maps, diagrams, globes and aerial photographs.

PHYSICAL EDUCATION



P.E. will take place on Monday for both White Class and Blue Class. It is essential that children wear trainers or plimsolls on these days as well as the school PE kit. Please note that the school PE kit is a grey school t-shirt/sweatshirt and grey tracksuit trousers. These can be purchased at the office. Please send your child to school in their PE kit on the appropriate day.

MUSIC



Juwon our specialist music teacher, will continue to teach the children in this area. The children are always very enthusiastic to take part in the singing sessions. They will learn to sing and use their voices, to create and compose music on their own and with others.

If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to speak to us at the end of the day.

Regards,

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White Class Teacher

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Blue Class Teacher

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