Curriculum Overview for Year 1

English

As writers, we will be writing our own version of a story from another culture. We will then be writing structured poetry and free verse senses poems.

- During handwriting sessions
 we will be learning how to
 form our letters correctly,
 ready for cursive
 handwriting. Details of the
 Letter Join scheme that we
 will be using, can be found
 overleaf.
 - As sound detectives, we will be revising all phonemes in preparation for the phonics screening.
 This has a vital impact on reading so please be sure to listen to your

child read everyday,

Art & Design

As artists, we will be using different media to create a scenic picture of an extreme habitat.

This will include painting and printing, as well as tie dye during the Extreme Craft day.

Computing

As technologists, we will start coding using the new iPads and bee-bots. We will also be using the iPads to support our learning across the curriculum and create purposeful digital content.

Mathematics

As mathematicians, we will be cementing our understanding of addition and subtraction, and using our number bonds. We will also be investigating place value in more detail as well as multiplication and division.

In other areas of maths, we will be investigating fractions, money, time, measurement and properties of shape.
We will be continuing to count in 2s, 5s and 10s this term ready for times tables in Year 2.



Science

As scientists, we will be learning about animals including humans with a focus on animals this term. We will be looking at characteristics of mammals, amphibians, reptiles, fish and birds.

We will also be learning about the seasonal changes taking place around us.

History

As historians, we will be learning about the history of exploration and expeditions. We will be learning about early explorers and their adventures.



Music

As musicians, we will be developing our musicianship skills through playing musical games and playing percussion instruments. Music will be taught by Mrs Hutchings.

Physical Education

As competitors, we will be practising our throwing and catching and batting skills by applying them in a series of different tennis themed games.

We will also be learning the skills needed to play a game of cricket and then preparing for Sports Day.

Religious Education

This term we will be learning about books and stories in Christianity and exploring how people from other faiths practise their beliefs.

Important Dates

PE will take place on Tuesdays and Wednesdays. Please make sure that full PE kits are in school and jewellery is removed if the children are unable to do so

Forest school will take place on **Wednesday** afternoon. Children must wear leggings or joggers that can get dirty. Children must have a pair of wellington boots in school for these sessions.

Please see the front cover of your child's red reading record for their group and the letter sent by Mrs Jones for the dates.

Homework

The children will continue to complete a 'Learning Journal' as part of their homework. They will be asked to demonstrate their learning from English, maths and phonics or topic sessions that week, and may choose their own way of doing so. Please see the homework stuck in books for further details and ideas. Spellings will also be set as part of homework.

Reading is expected to take place every day at home. Please make a record of your child's reading in their red reading journal. As well as listening to their word decoding and fluency, check your child's understanding of what has been read by asking them questions about the text.

Homework will be set on Fridays for completion by the following Thursday. Please support your child with their work as speaking and listening activities will be regularly set, especially in the area of phonics.

Useful Websites:

Espresso

Here you can find all sorts of activities across the curriculum. There is also a fantastic phonics section, complete with pronunciation videos and games to support your child's learning.

http://www.discoveryeducation.co.uk/ User: student3201 Pass: kings1

Handwriting

http://www.letterjoin.co.uk - Username: kings Password: cliffe



If using a tablet, use the same username and then this pattern

If you have any questions or comments, please speak to me in the playground on Thursday mornings, or you can write a note in the reading diary. If you wish to discuss an issue in more depth, please do not hesitate to make an appointment via the office.

Miss Boyers





































