


Summer 2024 – Curriculum news




April 2023

We hope you had a relaxing Easter break and are looking forward to our final term. In geography, we will be learning all about the Yanomami people of the rainforest. We will look closely at where the rainforests are and how the Yanomami people live before comparing them to our location. In history, we are learning about King Edmund and the Great Fire of Bury St Edmunds. This term, in science we will become enthusiastic gardeners and will be given the opportunity to plant and grow our very own plants. In art, we will be focusing on aboriginal art, and using this to inspire us to make our own 3D sculptures. In DT, we will be learning about food and nutrition, focusing on the nutritional values of fruit and vegetables and eating minimally processed foods. We will also be learning about Judaism in RE. We will be looking at the promises Jews and God make to each other. In computing, we will be looking at coding to create our own quizzes. In PSHE, we are covering the units 'relationships' and 'changing me'. During these units we will discuss families, respect for others, looking forward, how we are unique and girls' and boys' bodies.

- Year 1/2 Staff**
- Mrs Sadler - China class teacher
 - Miss Gardener – Finland class teacher
 - Miss Hammond – France class teacher
 - Mrs Norman – France class teacher
 - Miss Paterson – Italy class teacher
 - Miss Barnard – India class teacher
 - Miss Eden - Student teacher
 - Miss Hards – Student teacher
 - Mrs Howard - Learning Support Assistant
 - Mrs Cunningham - Learning Support Assistant

 **Reading**

Please make a note in your child's reading log when you have listened to them read. Alternatively, your child may write their own note and an adult can sign it. Children will have class reading sessions every day, focusing on our class text. Reading logs will be collected and checked on a Monday. We will still be visiting our library weekly.

 **Mathematics**

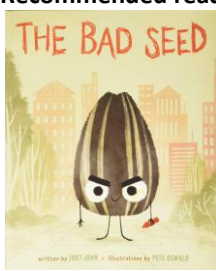
Year 1

We will be practising counting in 2s, 5s and 10s and making equal groups. We will then find half of shapes and numbers and begin to look at quarters. We will work with numbers to 100, count money and tell o'clock and half past times.

Year 2

This term, we will be learning all about time focusing on o'clock, half past, quarter to and quarter past. We will also look at telling the time to 5-minute intervals. Please encourage telling the time on analogue clocks at home. We will also be learning about fractions, specifically halves, quarters and thirds. We will use our knowledge of division to find fractions of numbers.


Recommended read



THE BAD SEED


written by PEGGY PARKE - illustrations by TONY CRIBBLE

A picture book story about a seed who has a bad temper, bad manners and a bad attitude. But what happens when one mischievous little seed changes his mind about himself and decides that he wants to be happy?

 **English**

In English, we will be retelling the nursery rhyme 'Jack and Jill' as a story. We will be identifying the features of a story, and using these to make our own sound interesting and engaging.

Then inspired by our learning in science, we will be writing a non-chronological report on plants. Our facts and scientific knowledge will help us to make these interesting and accurate.

 **Home learning**


Your child will be given 1 piece of homework per week on Showbie. This is related to learning in the classroom. It will be set on a Friday and due in the following Wednesday.

Year 1s will also now have weekly spellings. These have been uploaded to Showbie. Please practise weekly ready for the Friday test.

Year 2 children will have a new set of spellings to learn every week related to the spelling rule being taught in class; these will be accessible on Showbie. These will be tested each Friday.

 **Rainbow Challenges**

- Can you find out 5 interesting facts about Bury St Edmunds?
- Create your own 3D sculpture.
- Can you use some coins to pay for something in the shops?
- Can you write and retell the nursery rhyme of Humpty Dumpty in the form of a story?
- Write a letter to your future teacher? What will you tell them about yourself?
- Can you make your own Yanomami round house (Yanos)? What materials will you use?
- Can you write a book recommendation for your favourite book? Include why you love it so much.

 **PE**

PE days will remain the same. Mondays for China and India and Tuesdays for France, Italy and Finland. All classes will also have PE on Thursday. Please ensure your child arrives at school in **their correct PE kit on these days**. Long hair must be tied up and earrings need to be removed for safety reasons.

Don't forget your water bottles!