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Curriculum

At our twilight training session on Tuesday night, we continued to develop our curriculum to ensure that the needs of all our children are being met. The class curriculum maps, as well as subject curriculum maps are on the school website.

We are also continuing to develop a progression of knowledge and skills for each year group, meaning outcomes continue to be consistent for children in a year group, no matter what class they are in.

[Subject curriculum maps](#)

Click on individual classes to see their class curriculum maps.

Staffing

After 23 February, Mrs Huntington will no longer be working in our Pre-school. We are happy to say that Mrs Edmondson and Mrs Longhorn are able to continue to deliver top quality provision for our Pre-school children, with Mrs Larkin continuing to cover lunchtimes and Mrs Riley overseeing the whole Early Years unit.

We are very lucky to have such talented and dedicated staff providing a wonderful experience for our youngest children.

Reading corner

We hope this will become a useful part of our newsletter – providing new ideas and ways of supporting your child with reading. We will also be asking children to share their favourite books and perhaps even creating quizzes and competitions.

Top Tip!

All reading is good! You don't just have to read school books...you could read comics, magazines, leaflets, food packets and road signs. Reading is reading and it's all worthwhile. Whilst you are out and about during half term, go on a reading hunt. What sounds and words can you spot?

The link below has some good reading tips and advice:

https://ukla.org/wp-content/uploads/Reading_for_Pleasure.pdf

A little quiz for you to try (maybe more suited for our older children). How many can you get right?

1. Bilbo is the what in the book of the same name by JRR Tolkien?
2. Will finds out he has inherited the magical powers of the 'old ones' and has to save the world. Which book by Susan Cooper would you be reading?
3. If you read about Omri and his magical plastic toy, which Lynne Reid Banks story have you picked up?
4. What is the title of the third book in the Harry Potter series by J K Rowling?
5. What is the title of the second book in the His Dark Materials trilogy by Philip Pullman?



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Online safety

The UK safer internet centre have a great deal of resources to help you understand how your child can use the internet safely.

[UK safer internet centre](#)

Click on the link to find a parents guide to technology, including a guide to safety features on social media sites.

Sporting opportunities

Amethyst and Sapphire class have enjoyed their cricket sessions with Steve Pemberton. Emerald class have enjoyed multi-skills with Tim Fletcher.

Our Y3 children will be going canoeing at the start of March with Phil Longbottom.

PTA news

We would like to thank the PTA for purchasing 200 books to enhance reading choices for children across KS1 and KS2. These will be a great additional resource for all children to enjoy.

Please don't forget if you have any reading books that are no longer required at home we would love to be able to use them in school.

The PTA and school council have some fantastic ideas for fun activities and fundraising events next half term. Watch this space!

VIPs

A massive CSP well done to all our super VIPS this week.

Diamond - William for trying hard with his phonics and listening carefully! Well done William!

Ruby – Joanie for fantastic work in gymnastics, she worked hard to keep a strong core.

Topaz – Daniel for being a super reader and friend. We have enjoyed your jokes this week Daniel!

Emerald - Scarlett for her hard work and determination, especially with our poetry writing in English.

Sapphire – Elliott for fantastic questioning in Science about day and night in other countries across the world.

Amethyst – Oliver for superb class contributions, for being an excellent role model to others and for being a pleasure to have in class. Thank you.

VIP hoodies are taken home by a staff member to be washed over the weekend. These are then returned on Monday for the new VIPs to wear for the week.

School start time

Please remember that children can arrive at school any time between 8:45 and 9:00am. We would expect all children to be in class by 9:00am, ready to learn. We are aware that an increasing number of children are having to enter by the front door after 9am.

Also, please park carefully when waiting for your children. We have had instances of cars parked on the zig zags, as well as cars blocking drives.