

## Curriculum Newsletter

### Summer Term ~Class 1~Reception

So that you feel clear about the teaching and learning intentions for Summer Term 2018, please enjoy reading this overview, we hope that you find it helpful ...

Hello there

This Term our focus is to be all about “Days Gone By...” (with all sorts of flavours of History woven in, such as people in our family, dinosaurs, kings and queens, paintings and black and white photo history.)

We asked the children what they would like to find out about and they told me that they are curious about what happened in the olden days, so we will be using their questions as a starting point for this topic.

Here are some of the curriculum areas that we will cover:

- **Communication and Language:** talking and listening, making sure that we give the listener enough detail to understand our ideas, listening to longer stories that do not have so many pictures and using the correct tense when talking.
- **Personal and Social:** problem solving as a team and making sure that each person is respected. Thinking about other people and having empathy for others.
- **English:** Using information books and the internet to find out about features of history and using photos and paintings as a stimulus for our own writing. Writing in different ways including stories and explanations. Being able to write some of our key words correctly in our writing and of course continuing our good work with letters and sounds, spaces and full stops.
- **Maths:** using numbers up to 20 and beyond. Problem solving including money and measures. As well as understanding the properties and describing some 3D shapes.
- **Physical:** Knowing how to keep safe and healthy. Improving athletic skills and moving to music.
- **Understanding the world:** Learning about how people lived in a time before they were born.
- **Creative:** Creating a soundscape to go with a story. Making our own stories and experimenting with materials to make interesting pictures and artefacts.

There are lots of enjoyable activities to keep us busy throughout this term!

Mrs Luddington and Mrs Adams

#### Update:

As we are looking at the past, it would be lovely if children could bring in things to talk about from the past.

These could be old photos, artefacts etc. Please make sure that the child is able to talk about their item. Old photos could include ones from their own life time or key events from family such as a wedding photo or parents as children.

We will make sure that they are not ‘played with’ but would appreciate items that can be touched, and loaned for a few days. Thanks.

#### Messages :

This term, PE is on Wednesday and Thursday.

Please can we have kit in school all week. We do like to get outside, so please include a warm jumper and long trousers as we never know what the weather will do.

Homework continues to be handed out on a Wednesday, to be handed in the following Tuesday. Please look out for the Homework Overview in books and thank you for the super job you are doing with this.