



Termly Curriculum Overview Letter

We are a 'light in the darkness', living life to the full, worshipping and working so that everyone may flourish and achieve their God-given potential



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| Teacher | Mr Barber | Class | 1/2 |
| TAs | Miss Vile, Miss Nesbitt | | |
| Term | 4 | | |

Welcome to another great term in Year 1 + 2. As we move towards Easter, we welcome some very special visitors into our school. PC Dan will be joining us to talk about road safety, football coaches will be helping us to improve our skills and most exciting of all, our 2 Guinea Pigs will be joining us in school, along with our 'living eggs' which will hatch into the beautiful chicks that leave the children in awe. It promises to be a short, but action-packed term.

Main Areas of Learning to be covered

- English: Our English focus this term will be on setting description and recount. We will be exploring "We are off to find a Monster" and writing our own episode for the story, creating our very own setting, obstacle and resolution. Year 1 will continue to develop their use of adjectives whilst Year 2 will focus on using alliteration and repetition in their writing.
- Phonics: Year 2 will begin their spelling modules which will strengthen their understanding of spelling patterns. Year 1 will continue to learn Phase 5 alternative spellings through our daily phonics lessons. We will be continuing with our Little Wandle reading groups and the children will still be receiving their weekly reading books for you to read at home with them.
- Maths: Year 2 will be focusing on multiplication and division this term, with Year 1 exploring Place Value within 50. We will then all learn about measurement, a really fun, practical and active way to end the term.
- Science: Our Science topic this term continues to be Living things and their Habitats. We will explore a range of different animals and consider where they live, why they live there and how their bodies suit their habitat. We will also look at Spring and why it is such a special time of year for nature.
- RE: In RE our learning will focus on Easter, as we learn more about the Easter Story and why it is so important to Christians. This will culminate in our celebration of Holy Week and our Easter church service.

Our PE lessons this term will continue to be on **Monday and Wednesday afternoons**. We will be practicing our striking and fielding skills. In DT we will be looking at rotary motion mechanisms such as windmills, whilst in PSHE we will be exploring ways to Stay Healthy. In Computing we will be continuing our Purple Mash journey, creating our own animated stories.

Homework

Reading is hugely important in all stages of development, but particularly in KS1. We ask that all children are reading at least 5 times a week and that this is then recorded in their reading journals. This helps us to expose





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the children to a variety of rich texts as well as regularly modelling reading to them. As part of our initiative to promote reading, children will also be able to earn raffle tickets for their reading which give them a chance to win a book.

Christian Value

Each term we will focus on a different school value. This term, our whole school value is **Honesty**. Throughout the term, we will explore this value in our classrooms and during whole school collective worship, encouraging children to show love through their words, actions, and attitudes towards their learning, their lives, and others around them. We will talk about how love can be expressed in simple, everyday ways, such as kindness, patience, and respect. To celebrate and encourage this, each Friday we will present **Value Awards** to children who have been shining examples of love in action. We hope this focus will inspire our pupils to create a caring and supportive school community where everyone feels valued.

