

# Viaduct Federation of Schools



# Year 1 Autumn 1 Curriculum Newsletter

#### Dear Parent/Carer

Welcome back to Wyvern and to a brand-new school year. We have an exciting first part of the Autumn Term planned for Year 1. To ensure the children have a smooth transition into Year 1 we have outlined a program based around the Foundation Stage curriculum and the Year 1 Curriculum. We are really excited to have the children back in school and to start to get to know them as our main focus will be the wellbeing of the children.

# Year 1 Teachers



Miss Meek- Head of Year 1 & 2



Mrs Pearson— Leopard Class





Mrs Roberts- Tiger Class

# Subject Overview



# <u>English</u>

Year 1 will be focusing on our topic 'All About Us'. We will be sharing a story about different children who live all around the world called 'Max and Lemon'. We will then be looking at 'Wombat Walkabout' focusing on using nouns and interesting adjectives. We will be working hard on using full stops and capital letters accurately in our simple sentences.

# <u>Maths</u>

This term in Maths the children will be reading and writing numbers to 10, counting forwards and backwards to 10 and creating representation of numbers to 20. For our place value learning we will partition into tens and ones and the children will be able to represent numbers using objects.

# <u>RWI and Spelling</u>

Children will be continuing RWI which they are familiar with from Reception. They will be reviewing their sounds and learning new ones that they may have not come across before. They will have a daily session which will consist of daily reading and writing of words. During their daily Guided Reading session, children will have the opportunity to read, share, discuss and respond to a core text. We will be focusing on reading and writing common exception words weekly during our SPAG (Spelling, Punctuation and Grammar) lesson. The children will have their spelling test on a Monday.

# <u>Science</u>

The children will learn about the four seasons. We will be learning what the word weather means and find out how different types of weather can be measured. We will also observe changes across the seasons by exploring the signs of nature and wildlife. We will also have an introduction to the human body and will start our learning journey by looking at our senses.

# **Geography**

The children will name, locate and identify characteristics of the four countries and capital cities of the United Kingdom. We will also use maps to locate places on maps and plan routes in the local surroundings.

# Art

In this pathway children are enabled to build an understanding about the way they can make marks on a drawing surface. They explore how the way they hold a drawing tool, and move their bodies, will affect the drawings they make. Children will begin to explore mark-making and experiment with how they can use the marks they make in their drawings.

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#### **Computing**

Children will learn how to use technology safely and respectfully. Children will identify where to go for help and support when they have concerns online.

#### PE & Games

For the whole of Autumn term staff from Bushfield will be delivering PE and Games for the Year 1 children.

They will be focusing on Outdoor Activities and Health Related Fitness.

#### Year 1 children have PE on Tuesday.

#### <u>Music</u>

In Year 1 we have a specialist music lead, Mrs Rawlence, who works with the children once a week to develop a wider appreciation for music and musical styles. This term the focus is on music about the body at the start of the term and then 'music from around the world'.

#### <u>PSHE</u>

This unit will be focusing on Mental Health. The children will learn the importance of sharing their own opinions and listening to the views of others. They will also discuss communication and how important it is to use manners. We will look at how to stay safe and learn about who to tell if we need help or support.

# Home learning

#### <u>Reading</u>

We ask that children read each day for 10 minutes. Each child in Year 1 will be issued with a level-appropriate reading book provided by school in week 2. It really helps their progress if they are heard regularly at home and we would be grateful if you could sign their Personal Log each time you hear them. They will be tested on a Monday.

# **Upcoming Events in Autumn 1**

- 24<sup>th</sup> & 25<sup>th</sup> September Parents Evening
- Friday, 27th September McMillan Coffee Morning
- 25<sup>th</sup> October School Disco (during school day)

# Did you know we now have a Facebook page?

We have created a Facebook page which will show any news and events across the Viaduct Federation of schools, it is titled 'The Bushfield and Wyvern Viaduct Federation of Schools'. Like us and keep up to date with any fun school events and news!



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