



Orleans Primary School

Year One Curriculum Letter

Spring 2020



Welcome to our Spring Term Curriculum Letter.

We hope you find the information useful but also keep an eye on our the preview learning section of the Home Learning for weekly info.

English

In English we will be covering a range of skills through our Power of Reading key texts. We do not share the titles before we teach them as we do not want the children to be familiar with the content.

Our first text this term gives the children opportunities to develop and explore their inference skills through the use of colours, text and emotions.

There will be a strong focus on writing in complete sentences, using punctuation, capital letters and full stops appropriately. We will also be using a range of creative techniques such as *role on the wall*, *conscious alley* and *freeze frames* to support and extend the children's writing.

Daily phonics lessons and weekly spelling tests will continue as before.

Maths

This term we are exploring a range of skills. Starting with time focusing on o'clock and half past. We will be exploring addition and subtraction within 20, and numbers within 50.

In the second half of the term we are introducing fractions as well as length and mass.

Please look out for the unit overviews in your child's bag or on the school website.

KIRF's and Counting in Steps continue in the spring term. In Spring 1 the KIRF is to know doubles and halves of numbers to 10.

A copy will be sent home in your child's bag.

Please keep on practicing these at home.

History and Geography

Our geography topic this term is focusing on the features of the seaside. We will be exploring the physical features of the seaside, comparing it to the country side, towns and villages. As well as looking at how we use the seaside in the UK.

In history we will be looking at a range of great explorers such as Ranulph Fiennes, Amy Johnson and Christopher Columbus. We will explore their great adventures and the impact they have had on our lives.



Science

We will be continuing to investigate materials for the first half of the term.

In Spring 2, we will be focusing on Seasonal Change and investigation. Pupils will learn about observing changes across four seasons as well as observe and describe weather associated with the seasons.

Computing

This term we will be exploring pictograms. Pupils will learn how to collect and organise information in the form of a pictogram. Pupils will continue to develop their keyboard skills as well as practicing logging on using their own credentials.

Safer internet day is on Tuesday 11th February.

We will be taking part in an online safety workshop with Peter Cowley.



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Art & DT

'What is sculpture' and 'Playgrounds' are our creative projects for this term. We study the materials and processes used in making sculpture and apply simple techniques to our own.

In our DT 'Playgrounds' topic, we will be exploring different types of playground equipment. We will be designing and creating our own playground equipment using a range of materials.

Cultures and Faiths

In RE this half term, children are learning about the church. They will look at what happens in the church and how it differs from other buildings.

We will be going on a visit to the church to explore these concepts in greater depth.

We will also be focussing on the symbols of Easter and Christianity.

PSHE

In PSHE we will be focusing on being a responsible citizen and keeping safe and healthy.

In PATHS we will be continuing with our 'child of the day', exploring our feelings and introducing 'turtle technique'.

P.E

Outdoor: Net and wall games and Team building
Indoor: Gymnastics and Dance

Pupils will be introduced to the basic skills required in Net and Wall games. Pupils will learn the importance of the ready position. They will develop throwing, catching and racket skills, learning to track and hit a ball.

They explore and develop basic gymnastic actions on the floor. Basic skills of jumping, rolling, balancing and travelling are used individually and in combination



Music

In music our themes are machines, seasons, our school and pattern. Children will listen and respond to a range of music. Explore tempo, pitch and structure as well as experiment with tuned and un-tuned instruments.

French

Mr. Dare will continue to teach French throughout Spring.

He will be focusing on colours, Parts of the Body, Monsters, Pets and classroom instructions.

We hope this gives you a brief outline of our Spring Term. Remember, all information and hint and tips can be found on our Year One section of the website www.orleans.richmond.sch.uk

If you would like to help out in class then please see the office staff to complete a DBS check.

Thank you for all of your support so far this year!

Mrs McFall and Miss Connolly