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Wednesday, 15 September 2021

Dear Parents/Carers,

Welcome back to another school term.

We would like to inform you about our curriculum plan for the first half term. Year 1 will be learning about **Carnival of the Animals** as their topic focus this term.

Subject	Content
Maths	Topics we will be covering include numbers to 30, counting, place value, addition and subtraction. Year 1 will be using the Effective Maths programme to support our learning into this term.
English	The children will be following the RWI programme. Your child will be working in a group specific to their reading and writing needs so that they are challenged and taught appropriately and able to make excellent progress. Children will also be learning a different grammar and punctuation focus each week.
PSHCE/SEAL	The topic will be <b>My Family and Me.</b> The children will learning about body parts and their correct names, explore similarities and differences, what makes them and their families special, as well as learning about the communities they are part of.
Topic: History, Geography and Art.	The children will be learning about <b>Carnival of the Animals</b> as their topic focus this term. Children will learn about the fascinating creatures that feature in the movements of the music, about the formation of an orchestra and the range of instruments involved. They will also learn about mammals, birds, fish, reptiles, amphibians and fossils around the world.
Science	The focus in Science this half term will be <b>Animals Including</b> <b>Humans, Ourselves</b> . Children will learn about how people change as they grow, identifying and naming body parts and the five senses.
PE	Consolidating core physical development skills. Children will be learning <b>Gymnastics</b> this term.
RE	We will be learning about <b>Hinduism</b> and the traditions of Diwali.



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## Homework:

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Reading	All children in year one are currently learning to read using the Read, Write, Inc. programme. You can support your child at home further by reading at home with them for at least <b>15 minutes every day</b> . The reading books will be changed on a weekly basis.
	Do encourage children to 'Fred talk' (sound out) words as they read. You can also encourage your child to sound out unfamiliar words in non-reading books and signs on display around us.
	By the end of the year, Year 1 children should be reading around 60 words per minute so please encourage your child to read with speed and expression.
	<u>Reading book changes</u> Friday
Maths	Please support your child to learn to securely count to at least 30. Please also help them to write numbers to 30 with the correct orientation. We are consolidating children's learning of place value this term and you can support your child by encouraging them to count objects and question children by asking them more than and less than questions e.g. What is 1 more than 10? etc. Please also support them to learn about basic 2D shapes such as square, triangle, rectangle, circle and pentagon.

For health and safety reasons it is very important that your child has a PE kit, please ensure that your child comes to school in their PE kit on:

## Monday

We are looking forward to a super half term ahead. If you have any questions regarding your child's learning, please come and speak to us.

Yours sincerely,

Ms Hollows and Ms Commons



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