



## Year 1 Curriculum information

Week beginning: 2<sup>nd</sup> July 2018

Dear Parents

In assembly this week, Mrs Brown taught the children about the history of Wimbledon, including the difference between rackets old and new, Andy Murray and the importance of perseverance when things don't quite go according to plan.

### **Literacy**

This week literacy groups have been condensed due to assessments taking place. We have all learned a new sound and completed the spelling quiz. Mrs Wilson's group learned 'oi' (spoil the boy). Mr Fisher's group have looked at 'ire' (fire fire!). Mrs Parker's group are learning 'o-e' (phone home) and Mrs Brown are learning 'aw' (yawn at dawn).

In class literacy sessions, we have revised elements of grammar, punctuation and spelling. The children have been unjumbling sentences and identifying adjectives, nouns and verbs. Some classes have been listening to seaside poems and played a sound quiz. They imagined they were at the seaside and wrote their own seaside senses poem. The children have also been applying their reading skills to comprehension tasks.

### **Maths**

Maths has taken the form of lots of little mental maths activities this week such as rolling two numbers on a dice and finding the total. We have also been applying our mathematics knowledge of the 4 operations (addition, subtraction, multiplication and division) to more open ended questions, such as the answer is 20, what might the question be?

### **Other lessons and activities**

- In computing, some children have visited the computer room and have enjoyed playing games on Busy Things or Active Learn to aid with their mouse control.
- In art, some of the children have been experimenting with pencils of different hardness and softness. They have also looking carefully at shells and have drawn them in their sketch books. Some children have been making crab pictures with their handprints.
- In topic this week, we have been learning about the history of flight from mythical stories such as Daedalus and Icarus through to hot air balloons and Concorde. We have also looked at pioneers and explorers such as The Wright brothers and Amelia Earhart.
- We have made the most of the wonderful weather this week. During Games sessions the children have taken part in four activities – high jumping, football skills, Zumba and parachute games with each of the Year 1 teachers.

**Over the weekend your child might like to:**

- Complete the handwriting and spelling homework provided by your child's literacy teacher.
- Complete the maths games allocated on Active Learn – Tumble down den.
- Write a fact/clue about a famous person of their choice to share with the class. We will try to guess who it is.

Water games: With the hot weather likely to continue, we have decided to let the children enjoy some water fun next Tuesday afternoon. If your child would like to participate please send spare shorts and t-shirt/swimwear and a towel in a named bag. They may also bring in water squirting toys. These must also be named. Alternative activities will be available for those who do not wish to participate.

Please also send a bag in on Wednesday to pack your child's exercise books.

**Date for your diary:**

**Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> July – Pre Prep end of term; no After School Care**

We hope you have a lovely, restful weekend with your children.

Mrs Brown, Mr Fisher, Mrs Parker, Mrs Wilson and Mrs Harries

*Melanie Harries*