

# Year 1 Curriculum Information

Week Beginning: Monday 20th May 2019

**Dear Parents** 

Firstly, huge congratulations to all the children in Maple Tree class for their super assembly on Tuesday morning; lines were delivered clearly and songs sung beautifully! Bird Family meetings focused on the topic of a growth mind-set and the phrase 'I can't do it, *yet*'. We enjoyed our final celebration assembly on Thursday morning, and announced the winning Bird Family of the half-term – well done to the Kingfishers!

#### Literacy

The children had one group literacy lesson this week. This lesson included the weekly spelling test and focused on introducing a new sound. Mrs Wilson's group learned 'ow' (brown cow), Mr Fisher's class looked at 'oa' (goat in a boat) and Mrs Brown's group practised 'o-e' (phone home). The children completed some dictation sentences, played some phonics games and read a variety of monster (nonsense) words.

In class literacy, we have written a recount of our adventurous trip to BeWILDerwood. We also retold the story of *Jack and the Beanstalk*.

## Maths

This week we have completed an assessment linked to the concepts that we have been learning. The children recapped their knowledge of counting in 2s, adding and subtracting 10, adding three numbers and recognising quarters of shapes.

#### Other lessons and activities

- In topic, we have continued to observe our bean plants and to record their growth in our bean diaries.
- In computing, we have started to create a poster, about 'growing', on a word processed document. We have learnt how to insert pictures as well as manipulate text by changing the colour, style and size.
- We really enjoyed our trip to BeWILDerwood. It was lovely to see the children playing together and having fun on all of the equipment. The storytelling was magical and lively and many children dressed up and joined in. All the boys and girls made the most of their day out and I'm sure they slept well on Wednesday evening!
- Mr Smith (one of our Prep Department teachers) came to talk to the children about the importance of bees and his own personal experiences of beekeeping. This linked in to our topic about growing.

## Over the half term, your child might like to:

- Complete their handwriting and spelling books. Perhaps they could extend their learning by writing a sentence using one of their spelling words.
- Complete an activity related to our topic outlines on the topic web in your child's home-school activity book.

Dates for your diary:

Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> June – 9.00am - 3.00pm: Year 1 trip to Gressenhall Farm and Workhouse Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> June – 2.00pm: Year 1 Sports Day on the front lawn Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> June: Royal Norfolk Show day – School closed Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> July – 8.35am: Year 1 Concert in the Read Hall with coffee available in the Pre Prep Hall from 8.00am Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> July: Moving up day Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> July: End of term – no After School Care

We hope you have a lovely half term holiday with your children.

With very best wishes from Mrs Brown, Mr Fisher, Mrs Wilson and Mrs Harries

Melanie Harries