Dunmore Primary School

Year 1 Curriculum Newsletter – Summer Term 1 2025



Ideas for home



Science - Animals (continued)

- Identify and name a variety of common animals including, fish, amphibians, reptiles, birds, insects and mammals
- Different animals have different diets and that some are carnivores, herbivores and omnivores
- Describe and compare the structure of some animals (eg. vertebrates and invertebrates)

History – What is special about Abingdon's past?

- Know there was an Abbey in Abingdon
- Investigate life as a monk in Abingdon Abbey
- Abingdon bun throwing tradition
- MG car manufacture in Abingdon



Go on a history walk around Abingdon

P.E.- Athletics and Mini Muay-Thai

In athletics we will:

Run at different speeds; begin to link running and jumping movements with some control. Jump, leap and hop with some balance and control.

In mini muay-thai we will learn:

Right and left stance; jab & upper cut; knee strike; developing control and balance when bringing knee up; kicking and shin check; coordination using different combinations of techniques and begin to compete against self.

Art - Tails!

Explore images of tails and match to animals Describe an animal's tail using Art vocabulary Draw different types of tails Work with wool, rope, string

etc to twist & plait; fabrics to stick & join; socks to stuff etc to make a tail to wear

for a tail parade!



Can you make some different tails at home?

R.E. - What makes some people so important?

Who is most important to me and why? Who are the important people in religions and religious communities; what makes them so important and what do they do?

How do important people influence the way we behave?

DT - Healthy Snacks

- Understand that all food comes from plants or animals.
- Food has to be farmed, grown elsewhere (e.g. home) or caught.
- Name and sort foods into the five groups in 'The Eat well plate'.
- Understand that everyone should eat at least five portions of fruit and vegetables every day.
- Know how to use techniques such as cutting, peeling and grating.



Draw a family tree of the people who are important in your life

P.S.H.E. - Building positive relationships

- How to make friends
- Solving friendship problems
- Help others to feel part of a group
- Show respect in how we treat others
- Know how to help ourselves and others when they feel upset or hurt
- Know and show what makes a good relationship

Music - Singing games and melody

- Learning and taking part in new singing games
- Singing with a sense of shape of the melody
- Walking to a steady pulse in a well-formed circle

Computing

We will be learning how to log onto the computers and will play TTRS on them.

Home fun to get extra house points!

How many different kinds of habitats are there? Can you research the different types and bring your teacher a list of them?

Great to be Inspired. Inspired to be Great.

| English – Animals and Homes | Maths – Multiplication and Division, Fractions, Position and Direction |
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| Punctuate sentences using a capital letter and a full stop, question mark or exclamation mark. | Begin to understand multiplication, division and doubling through grouping and sharing small quantities. |
| Becoming very familiar with key poems. | |
| Composing a sentence orally before writing it. | Describe position, directions and movements, including whole, half, quarter and three-quarter turns. |
| Sequencing sentences to form short narratives. | Solve one-step problems involving multiplication |
| Articulate and justify answers, arguments and opinions. | and division, by calculating the answer using concrete objects, pictorial representations and arrays with the support of the teacher. |
| Give well-structured descriptions, explanations and narratives for different purposes, including for expressing feelings. | Recognise, find and name a half as one of two equal parts of an object, shape or quantity |
| Use spoken language to develop understanding through speculating, hypothesising, imagining and exploring ideas. | $\frac{1}{2} \begin{array}{ c c }\hline \\ \hline \\$ |

| Important Information | | |
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| Class Homework | ✓ <u>Spellings</u> should be practiced at home frequently, so children are ready for the spelling check each Friday (copies of spellings available on year group pages of website). ✓ <u>Times Table Rock Stars</u> (TTRS) Your child should be practicing their 10 times table in the jamming arena for at least 15minutes per week. If your child is ready, they can also select the '2' and '5' times tables. ✓ <u>Reading</u> Children should be reading daily at home and answering the comprehension questions at the end of their book. There should be a minimum of 3 entries a week in their reading record. | |
| Reading books | ✓ Class 3 & 4: Tuesdays and Thursdays Please ensure that PE kits (including suitable footwear and weather appropriate clothing) are labelled and in school all week. PE kits are sent home at the end of each half term to be washed. ✓ Reading books are changed on a Monday each week. Your child MUST have their reading record and reading book in their book bag EVERY day! | |
| Key Dates | | |

- ✓ Wednesday 30th April Coffee morning for parents of children with SEND
- ✓ Monday 5th May Bank holiday, school closed
- ✓ Tuesday 20th May Sports day (21st May Sports day reserve date)
- ✓ Friday 23rd May Last day of term (finish at 3.15pm)
- ✓ Tuesday 3rd June Summer Term 2 begins