Dear Parents.

This curriculum newsletter will give you an outline of what your child will be covering in Class 1 throughout the Summer term. If you have any artefacts or resources that would help to enhance or support our curriculum then please come and let us know. If you or anyone you know could come in to talk to the children and share experiences and expertise, then we would love to hear from you.

ENGLISH: Year 1 and 2: This term in our English lessons the children will begin by



exploring the book 'The Disgusting Sandwich'. We will be focusing on the language within the book and creating our own story using simple sentences and noun phrases. Year 2 children will develop their understanding of expanded noun phrases and writing in different tenses. The children in Year 1 will also focus on the elements of a successful sentence and what that looks like. The children in Year 1 and

2 will have daily phonics and handwriting sessions as well as opportunities to apply their reading and writing skills within other areas of the curriculum.

Please remember that it is also extremely important that you listen to your child read every night to help them with their confidence in using and applying their phonic knowledge and develop reading for meaning. Please have discussions with your children about the events within the stories they read. There are questions at the back of the RWI books that you can use to help with this. Books will be sent home on a Wednesday and should be returned on a Monday.



MATHEMATICS: Our daily maths sessions will include fluency activities where we will explore making links with known facts using different resources to help embed this information for children. Our focus this term includes multiplication and division, time and fractions for both Year 1 and 2. We will then use the skills that we have learnt to begin to

investigate addition and subtraction techniques to solve problems. Throughout our lessons we will be expecting the children to demonstrate their understanding in a variety of ways. As well as problem solving, the children will be developing their ability to draw and explain their reasoning about their answers and solutions.



SCIENCE: Our topic this term is Habitats. The children will be looking at the different places animals live and why they choose a certain place. They will also explore the different types of habitats such as the desert and rainforest. After half term we will be focusing on the topic

of Mixing and Making. This will allow the children to explore and learn about the difference between solids, liquids and gases as well as carrying out practical investigations.

HISTORY: Our history learning this term will explore our local area in a local history study. This will help develop the children's understanding of where we live and our surrounding area.





ART: Our weekly art lessons will allow the children the opportunity to explore artists from around the world. This half-term we will be focusing on cityscape drawings. After half term we will be learning and exploring how to draw things in 3D.

PSHE: Our PSHE curriculum is based on a scheme called SCARF-Safety, Caring, Achievement, Resilience, Friendship. We will be focusing on the topic of 'being my best'.



MUSIC: This term the children will be following our Music scheme 'Kapow!' where they will work on their use of their voices and instruments to create different pitches and dynamics.

PE: We are extremely lucky that we will have a specialist PE teacher Mr Pugh, delivering PE this term. Mr Pugh will be focusing on cricket this term. The children will be working on the core skills such as catching, throwing and hitting. Our PE lessons take place every **TUESDAY**



in school. Please could you ensure that your child comes to school wearing their PE kit (plain white t shirt, navy or black shorts and trainers) and brings their uniform to change into after.

COMPUTING: In computing this term we will be looking at 'making music'. The children will be learning how to create a piece of music using a specialist piece of software.

HOME LEARNING Home learning will be sent home each **FRIDAY** and should be returned to school on **TUESDAY**. We ask that children in reception share a book every day at home as well as practicing their blending using the books sent home. Children in year 1 and 2 will have a maths challenge to complete as well as practicing their reading everyday too. All children in Class 1 are expected to read aloud at home to their parents/carers daily. Please record this in your child's reading record with a comment. This will help and support them with ideas and techniques to include in their writing. Please ensure that reading diaries and reading books are in school every day.



RELIGIOUS EDUCATION: Our Religious Education programme will explore the theme of different cultures and will be focusing on the key question 'Which stories are special and why?'. After half term we will be exploring the topic of 'what makes some

places sacred to believers?'

KNOWLEDGE ORGANISERS:

Knowledge organisers are used in class to outline to the children what they will be learning during each subject topic. They include key vocabulary and phrases. These will be sent home for you to use at home with your children, it is important you encourage them to use the vocabulary when explaining what they have been learning about. If you have any questions or would like to speak to Miss Atkinson about the curriculum, please do not hesitate to book an appointment with Hannah in the office. Thank you for your continued support.

Miss Atkinson