



## Curriculum Newsletter for Year 1 and 2 Autumn 2 2023

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome to the second half term of the year. It is wonderful to see the children have settled in well. We would like to share our Curriculum overview with you and some key dates for this half term.

PE day is Tuesday. Please ensure your child has their full PE kit and running shoes with them every day for the daily mile.

Homework- will go out Thursday and pupils will be expected to return their homework to school on Tuesday. Please ensure all homework is complete and back at school in time.

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Please take a look at our Curriculum Map for this half term.

In Literacy, we will be using the book "Meerkat Mail". The children will work on suffixes, setting descriptions, letter writing and recounts. We'll be continuing our daily phonics and spelling sessions as well as guided reading.

In Maths, we will be continuing to work on addition and subtraction before moving on to looking at measurement and fractions. We will be regularly working on our mental maths and times tables skills.

In Jewish Studies, we will be learning about the story of Chanukah and learning about different blessings for natural events.

In Ivrit Studies, we will be learning the names of the different symbols and objects for the festival of Chanukah. The children will also continue learn how to read and write the Ivrit names of different members of the family.

Our Computing focus is coding digital imagery. We will be using the iPad to access the Purple Mash platform.

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In PE, our focus is dance: 'Reach for the Stars'. We will continue to work on our core strength and balance within each lesson.

In Art this term, our focus is colour mixing and colours of culture.

In Music, the pupils will be practising performing music associated with Chanukah.

Our PSHCE/RSE unit this term will be about feelings and relationships. In RE, we'll be focusing on religious symbols.

Our Geography topic is 'Land and Sea'. We will be learning to name the world's 7 continents and 5 oceans. We will also be learning what a continent is and be able to explain this.

In Science, we will be learning about living things and their habitats. We will be looking at different habitats, including microhabitats and the animals that live there. We will also be looking at food chains.