Curriculum Newsletter YEAR 2 | Autumn Term 2



Salaams Parents/ Carers

Welcome back! We hope you had a lovely half-term and are looking forward to the term ahead. There is lots of exciting and challenging learning to come, as we enter the second half of the term.

Value: Respect

This half term we will be focusing on the value of respect. Children will reflect and discuss how we show respect to Allah, ourselves, our parents, our teachers, our siblings, our friends, others, our environment, etc., through stories of the Prophet Muhammad (saw), teachings from the Holy Quran and opportunities to put their learning into practice. Some verses we may be discussing include: 8:11; 17:23; 17:26; 17:53; 29:8.

Here is a breakdown of the skills and knowledge to be covered in each subject through this half-term:

English

In Literacy, the children will write first person recounts using the correct features such as tense. Next, the children will begin to develop their story writing, focusing on word classes as well as figurative language. Additionally, they will explore poetry and write their own shape poems! Lastly, the children will be creating non-fiction information leaflets.

We will also consolidate the children's understanding of using expanded noun phrases, adverbs, conjunctions and punctuation correctly. **Key Texts:**

We are going on a Bear Hunt Michael Rosen
Snail and the Whale by Julia Donaldson
Teacher by Amy Husband

Mathematics

In Maths, the children will continue to develop their learning of addition and subtraction. The children will be learning through a combination of:

Concrete: using objects such as cubes, counters, and tens frames

Pictorial: drawings to show amounts and representations

Abstract: number sentences + - =

Our next topic will be shape. The children will explore a range of 2D and 3D shapes. They will identify, sort and name the shapes and their properties.

Humanities Science The children will explore different animal habitats In Geography the children will learn more about the and food chains. The children will continue to work U.K. They will begin to explore Harrow and our scientifically through identification and locality. As the seasons continue to change, we will classification. also explore local weather patterns. In History, the children will learn about famous monarchs and their contributions. Physical Education and Sports Art and Design The children have an exciting half term where P.E. days will be Thursdays and Fridays. The children they will complete Forest Schools through Art. will learn about invasion such as attacking and The children will have sessions outdoors to defending in sports. They will also learn about enhance their learning through nature. movement and balance. Religious Education Computing The children will use simple programming sites The big question will be: How do we remember such as scratch to complete their own simple people and why? algorithms. They will also learn about debugging and internet safety. We will be exploring significant people in History and how they showed Islamic values in their lives. Arabic Music Children will continue to develop their reading, Children will be learning about tempo and structure of music through the nasheed 'Allah Knows'. writing, speaking and listening skills with a focus Thinking about the lyrics of the nasheed, children on the Arabic alphabet, short vowels and some vocabulary of colours, numbers and animals. will recite and reflect on 3:29 of the Quran which states: قُلُ إِن تُخْفُواْ مَا فِي صُدُورِكُمْ أَوْ تُبُدُوهُ يَعْلَمْهُ ٱللَّهُ وَيَعْلَمُ مَا فِي ٱلسَّمَوَتِ وَمَا فِي ٱلْأَرْضِ وَٱللَّهُ عَلَىٰ كُلِّ شَيءٍ قَدِيرٌ اللهُ "Say (Oh Prophet), 'Whether you conceal what is in your hearts or reveal it, it is known to Allah. For He knows whatever is in the heavens and whatever is on earth. And Allah is Most Capable of everything.'" Additional Information **PSHE** The children will learn about health and wellbeing Spelling tests will be every Friday. and how we can stay safe. Value of Autumn I: Respect Please continue to read with your child every day for at least 20 minutes. Our assemblies and PSHE lessons will focus on

Enrichment Opportunities - We will have external visitors to support our RE learning this half term

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