

MTP Curriculum Notes

Year 1 - Autumn 2016

Topic : Yum! Yum! This term our topic is "Yum! Yum!" which will incorporate language, science, design technology and art. We look forward to an exciting visit to "The Flour Mill" on Wednesday 5th October.

English : The boys will be developing their speaking and listening skills, reading and comprehension skills, basic grammar and punctuation, sentence structure and spelling skills. The various types of writing will include: creative writing, including planning/writing their own story; recording work, lists; labelling; instructional sequencing and non-fiction writing. Over the year, the boys will also begin to develop a fluid cursive style of handwriting.

Mathematics : The boys will be learning to recall instantly number bonds to ten, how to add and subtract within 10, shapes and patterns, ordinal numbers and numbers to 20.

Number facts and mental arithmetic strategies will be developed daily and also when using the CAMI computer program.

Environmental Studies: The boys will be regularly utilising the outdoor school environment to enhance the children's knowledge and understanding of the natural world, through observation of seasonal changes and life cycles. We will also use this as an opportunity to develop self-awareness, risk-taking and independence.

I.C.T.: The boys will be learning how to use the mouse and basic keyboard skills, simple word processing and internet based research, as well as basic programming.

R.E.: The boys will be learning about their family, different faiths, and the various religious celebrations that take place throughout the term.

P.S.H.E. : (Personal Social Health Education)

Words of the week for this term, in order: Concentration; attentiveness, self-control, conscientiousness.

Perseverance; determination, loyalty, patience, resilience.

Empathy; contentment, kindness, generosity, gratitude, forgiveness, humility and compassion.

French: The boys will be learning about Greetings, Introducing Ourselves and the Alphabet.

Music: Boys will be developing their ability to recognise the difference between pulse and rhythm and to perform with a sense of pulse.

P.E.: Boys will be developing their gymnastic skills, concentrating on bouncing, jumping, landing. This will be followed by large ball skills, partner work and fundamental movement skills.

Thinking Skills: Our focus this year is to integrate the use of various thinking routines across the curriculum. The skills associated with these routines will encourage the boys to engage in higher order thinking and develop the ability to think independently.