Year 1 Curriculum Newsletter Term 5

Dear Parents and Carers, Welcome back to Term 5. Please have a look over our curriculum for the coming term...

Blean Primary School



Learning Together to Enjoy and Achieve

English: As a class we will read "The Little Gardener" by Emily Hughes. The concept of a neglected, overgrown garden will hook our focus and we will feel empathy for the plight of the Little Gardener as he struggles to care for his garden alone. Our vocabulary will be enhanced by the careful study of real plants and flowers and so enabling us to retell the story using ambitious and interesting language.

<u>Maths</u>: This term the children will be learning to count in 2s, 5s and 10s. Halving and quartering will be our focus and we will be exploring how to group and recognising equal and inequal groups. This will include identifying the composition of arrays and using them to represent number sentences.

Geography: In Geography, we will be learning all about our local area and answering the enquiry question 'Can a garden change the world?' We will be focusing on conservation and making a difference to our local community. We will begin our learning journey by recapping physical and human features. We will be exploring maps and creating our own maps of the local area, as well as devising a simple map of the school grounds and constructing a key using basic symbols. We will be using aerial photographs and plan perspectives to recognise landmarks in the local area.

Science: We will be learning about plants and identifying and naming a variety of common wild and garden plants. This will include deciduous and evergreen trees. We will be identifying and describing basic structures of a variety of common flowering plants, including trees.

PSHE: Our learning will be based upon the topic "Relationships". We will be learning about how to make friends, how to solve friendship problems when they occur and how to help others to feel part of a group.

Art & DT: The work of Georgia O'Keeffe will inspire us to create our own floral paintings this term. Through mixing primary colours, we will explore and produce our own secondary coloured paints to apply using a range of tools.

PE: In Athletics, we will be mastering basic movements including running, jumping, throwing and catching, as well as developing balance, agility, and co-ordination. We will also be performing dances using simple movement patterns. We will be using appropriate vocabulary and performing an action in unison with a partner.

Spanish:

Uno, dos, tres! The children will be learning to count to ten in Spanish this term.

Computing:

This term, we will be creating media with a focus of digital writing. The children will develop their understanding of the various aspects of using a computer to create and manipulate text. They will become more familiar with using a keyboard and mouse to enter and remove text.

If you have any questions at all, please find us at the end of the day or pop a note in the Contact Book. Sincerely,

The Year 1 team.

Please ensure a named PE kit is in school at all times. Please consider some tracksuit bottoms and a top for the colder weather. Children with long hair need to have it tied back. Please ensure all uniform is named.

Home Learning will be published each Thursday via Google Classrooms. Home Learning books to be returned to school each Tuesday, thank you.