

# Curriculum Newsletter

## Year 1 - Term 4 - 2023/2024

### Welcome to Term 4

We have exciting term ahead in Year 1. It's great to see you all back again. Please make sure you log onto Class Dojo each week to check for updates and to see all our amazing work!

It is very important your child brings in their **water bottle**, **reading book** and a **coat** every day!



### Dates for Term 3

J3 Library Visit  
21 February 2024  
2- 3pm  
Parents Welcome.

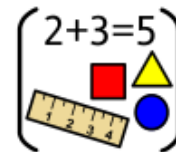
### Authors



As authors this term, we are reading **How to Catch a Star**. We are going to use our great oracy skills to discuss, retell and act out our story. Ask us all about our book at home – I am sure we will be very excited to discuss it with you!

We will also use our writing skills to describe characters and settings and practise our use of tense.

### Mathematicians



As mathematicians, we will be deepening our knowledge and understanding of numbers and facts and strategies we would use for numbers within ten. Using mathematical equipment such as counters and tens frame and other ways that look at using the whole part-part method. Exploring what happens when we combine amounts, learning the principles of addition and subtraction.

As a class we will also continue to practise our number formations up to 10 and beyond in every activity we do.



### Scientists

As Scientists we will be looking at Magnetism. We will learn how **certain materials feel a magnetic force**. How a magnetic force can be either attraction or repulsion.

### Art / DT

The children will continue to learn about colour. And study different artists. We will also look at different mechanisms and use our Design Technology skills to recreate.

### Athletes



Our athlete lessons for Term 4 are on **Tuesday and Wednesday**. Children should come to school dressed ready for athlete lessons.

As athletes this term the children will explore the fundamentals of movement developed and enhanced through our Real PE curriculum, Using our physical cog and Robins Coaches.

### Phonics



As readers and writers this term, we will be learning our Phase 5 phonic expression. Whilst continuing to practise reading words with the sounds we know.

Please ask us about our phonics at home.

### At home learning



Please listen to your child **read at home** 5 times per week. This is the most important thing you can do to support learning at this age. **Just 5 minutes per day makes a big difference**. Don't forget to ask your child to identify the sounds in the words – they will be very keen to show off their phonics skills!

This term we will be keeping their reading records at school and checking daily if your child has been reading. We will change home reading books when appropriate.

*Have fun reading together!*

If you have any questions at all, please contact me through ClassDojo or speak with myself at the door.

Yours Sincerely,  
*Miss Riley*