



YEAR 1

CURRICULUM NOTES FOR PARENTS
ST JOHN FISHER RC PRIMARY SCHOOL

SPRING TERM



HISTORY

As historians, we will study the following: 'Flight of the Navigators' Pupils will learn about the first ever human flight and the role the Wright Brothers played in this accomplishment. They will discover the achievements of Bessie Coleman and Amy Johnson as female aviators early in the 20th century.

MATHS

Place Value within 20

Count forwards and backwards
Partition and represent numbers to 20
1 more and 1 less

Using and estimating on a number line
Comparing and ordering numbers

Addition and Subtraction within 20

Add by counting on and using number bonds
Find and make number bonds to 20
Doubles and near doubles
Subtract ones using number bonds, counting back and finding the difference
Related facts (fact families)
Missing number problems

Place Value within 50

Counting forwards and backwards
Partitioning numbers into tens and ones
Counting in 10s
One more and one less

Using and estimating on a number line

Length and Height

Measure and compare the length and height of different objects.

Weight and Volume

Measure and compare the mass of different objects.
Measure and compare the capacity and volume of different containers.

SCIENCE

As scientists, we will study the following:

Unit: Animals including humans

Pupils will work scientifically, using their observations to compare and contrast animals at first hand or through videos and photographs. They will group animals based on their diets and body features. Pupils will learn the names of key body parts and the human senses.

PE

As active learners, we will study:

Unit: Dance

Pupils will create a dance sequence by using a beginning, middle and end.

Unit: Games

Pupils will develop their ball skills including throwing, catching, and rolling.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Topics will include:

- Special people
Meals
Lent/ Easter

Big Questions linked to these topics:

- What makes a person special?
What makes some meals special?
How and why do things change?



COMPUTING

As digital citizens, we will study the following topics:

Programming 1: Algorithms unplugged

Follow and assemble a set of instructions. Debug instructions and algorithms in an unplugged scenario

Creating media: Digital imagery

Take clear photographs and use tools within graphic editing software to edit.

PSHE & RSE

As active citizens, we will learn about:

Dreams and Goals

Setting simple goals and challenges and exploring ways to achieve them.

Healthy Me

Identify and explore different ways to make healthy and safe choices.

GEOGRAPHY

As geographers, we will study the following: 'Once upon a season'

Pupils will recognise the four seasons and what the differences and similarities are in these. They will identify the changing weather and how both humans and animals adapt to this.

ENGLISH

Talk for Writing

Model text: Handa's Surprise

Pupils will study and analyse a model text before planning and writing their own:

Exciting story with new characters and objects.
Problems and solutions for the new characters.

Model text: Handa's Hen

Pupils will learn and analyse a model text by text mapping and using actions.

They will write their own Non-fiction information booklet. Key features such as headings, subheadings and labelled diagrams.

Grammar

Conjunctions, adjectives, imperative verbs and using full stops, capital letters and finger spaces correctly.

Spellings and Phonics

Phase 4 and 5 sounds.

Weekly spellings included on the Year 1 spelling list.

ART & DT

As artists and designers, we will study the following:

Puppets

Join fabrics together using different methods. Design and make a puppet with embellishments.

Sculpture and 3D: Paper play

To cut, fold, stick paper to create 3D structures.

To make a paper sculpture using inspiration from an artists' work

MUSIC

As musicians we will learn about:

Composing our own rhythmic chants and melodies and feeling / moving to the pulse, or heartbeat of the music. We will listen actively to classical music and create a graphic score to remember our ideas.