



Curriculum Newsletter

Year 2 Term 6 2020/21

Hello everyone, this newsletter aims to give you an overview of the exciting learning we have planned for Term 6.

A few reminders for the term ahead:

- We are continuing with our 'one way' system as you enter and leave the school premises. Thank you for your support with this.
- We ask that children come to school in their full school uniform. Please refer to our school website for further information on this - <https://www.themanorcofeprimary.org.uk/school-uniform>
- We have found a number of children have been coming into school wearing inappropriate clothing for P.E. If you are unsure which colour t-shirt/shorts your child should be wearing, please speak to us at the end of the school day.

We would also like to remind our families that we are a nut-free school. Some of our children suffer with various allergies and so in order to keep everyone safe, we ask that you do not include food items containing nuts in your child's lunch box or as a break time snack.

We would also like to reiterate that as your child is in KS1, they receive a healthy snack provided by school. We therefore ask that all children in KS1 (Year R – 2) **do not** bring in an additional snack. Thank you.

English

In English this term, we will be covering two Non-Fiction writing units. The first genre of writing will be Non-Chronological reports, where we will be using our knowledge of John Cabot's voyage to write our own reports. Children will need to focus on their use of conjunctions to extend sentences and consider which tense would be most appropriate for their writing. As well as this, children will be writing postcards inspired by John Cabot's journey. Children will be encouraged to think about the tone of their writing and consider how this may change based on who the postcard is for.

We kindly ask that you read with your children at least 5 times a week.

As you will have read in our previous whole-school newsletter, we are now able to ask the children to bring in their reading records **on a daily basis**. Please ensure your child comes to school with this each day so that an adult can write in their reading record when they have read with your child.

Maths

In Maths this term, we will be learning about money. We will begin by handling real money and becoming confident in recognising both coins and notes and being able to tell how much money each of these are worth. We will then be learning to count money, mixing both pounds and pence. Here, children will not be expected to use decimal points in their answers, but will instead be using 'and' to separate pounds and pence (e.g. £5 and 10p). We will then be finding out the difference in money, using our knowledge of addition and subtraction to work out our answers. Following this, we will continue reading and drawing the time to the nearest 5 minutes, carrying on from our learning in Term 5.

The above units will be taught in addition to consolidating our knowledge of the four main operations and the techniques needed to solve word problems.

If you would like any information on how we teach these methods in class or guidance on how to support at home, please do not hesitate to speak to your class teacher.

Topic Subjects

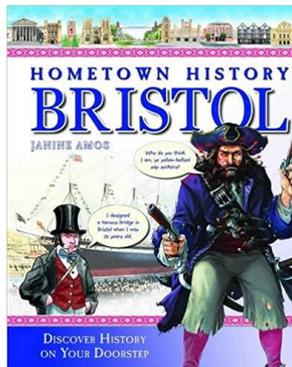
Our Foundation Subject Topic this term is "What makes Bristol Brilliant?"

It's an extremely exciting topic where we will be learning all about Bristol's history and the unique people and places that make it a brilliant place to live! We will be exploring the historical figure John Cabot and learning all about his long and difficult voyage across the ocean on The Matthew. We will consider how technology at the time meant his voyage was more difficult than it would be today and we will discover what happened once John Cabot reached Newfoundland. We will additionally be learning about the history of Coalpit Heath with a specific focus on what life was like for the miners who used to work here. As part of our Geography learning, we will be developing our compass work, learning how to use a map and what different keys can mean.

Please refer to your child's "What makes Bristol Brilliant" knowledge organiser to better understand what your child is learning about in school.

Term 6 Reading Spine

This is the book children will be exploring during this topic. It has been carefully selected as a high quality text to support your child's learning of the curriculum. We invite children to read this book during their free-reading time in school but you may also want to grab a copy for your own bookshelves at home!



Your child will be taking part in P.E on **Tuesday** and **Friday**. As we will not be using the cloakrooms at this time, we are asking that children come to school dressed in their P.E kits on the days that they have P.E. We would like to remind our families that this involves wearing their teams coloured T-shirt (plain, no slogans), black/navy blue shorts or black/navy blue jogging bottoms and trainers/daps. Usual school sweatshirt/ cardigan can be worn with this – no other sweatshirts to be worn please. If you do not know which house your child is in, please email the class email address- africaclass@sgmail.org.uk



We will continue to send home your child's homework for the entire term. This will include the term's spelling words/rules and Maths Instant Recall Facts. **We will be asking for homework books to be brought back into school on Friday 9th July.** These will then be marked and returned to your child at the end of Term 6.

Also, we would like to remind you that your child is able to log on with their purple mash logins to complete any extra homework and practise their learning at home.



Please ensure your child has a bottle of water at school every day, as at this time our water fountains will be out of use. Also please make sure that their school uniform is labelled clearly with their name and class. We ask children not to bring in their own stationery, toys or items from home into school. We will provide all the equipment that your child needs.

Year 2 Term 6 Key dates:

- Provisional KS1 sports day (depending on lifting of restrictions) - **29th June**
- Inset day- **5th July**
- Reports sent home- **12th July**
- Spirituality day- **12th July**
- End of Term 6- **21st July**