PAThS

Promoting Alternative Thinking Strategies

We will be continuing our work on

recognising, talking about and managing our different feelings and learning about what makes good friendship.

Each day we will learn to give and receive compliments in our Child of the Day and, by popular demand, the children have asked to restart our Kindness Marble Jar where acts of kindness are acknowledged and celebrated.

OUTDOOR LEARNING

We will be aiming to take our learning outside as much as possible for example with…

* PE sessions
* Daily Mile
* Our School Grounds topic
* Drama
* Measure activities
* Literacy/Numeracy

CURRICULAR AND INTERDISCIPLINARY LEARNING

Ready Steady Learn – Getting ready for a new term of learning together by planning, ‘doing’ and reviewing all our start of session tasks and routines and developing the skills required to increase independence.

Six Dinner Sid – A book study based around this children’s classic combining listening and talking, reading and writing, drama, art/craft and design.

Our School Grounds – A versatile outdoors topic including learning in art and design, science, technology, music, dance, map work, keeping safe and caring for the environment.



**P1-3 LEARNING**

**August to October 2021.**

CORE LEARNING

**Health and Wellbeing** – PE – indoor and outdoor games. Hygiene – handwashing and keeping safe around Covid. Focus on friendship, team work and helping others.

**Literacy** - Reading strategies to help us to read new words and unfamiliar texts. Reciprocal reading techniques to talk about the books we listen to/read as we learn to predict, question, clarify and summarise. Learning and applying new sounds and spelling patterns, and high frequency words as we read and write. Developing handwriting skills and writing sentences with the correct punctuation and applying these skills in our book study topic.

**Maths/numeracy** – Estimating and rounding, place value, days of the week/months of the year, measuring length and height and the development of basic number facts are our key focus areas this term. Children will be learning to read, write, count and order numbers from 0 to 10, 0 to 20, 0 to 100 and beyond as appropriate to their stage of learning. They will practise number bonds to 5/10/20 and doubles. Regular ‘number talks’ will help to develop number fluency.

Older children will be investigating how numbers are built up from tens and ones.

ETHOS AND LIFE OF OUR SCHOOL

**Friendship, Excellence, Respect**

We are happy to welcome our new P1 pupils to the class, and older pupils are taking on responsibility as helpers and role models.

Our focus is on settling back to school, establishing routines to help to keep us safe, being healthy and happy within our school community so that we can be the best, most successful learners that we can be.

Mr Welch will be working with the children each Friday for P1-3 assembly, focusing on our school values of friendship, excellence and respect, and the children will be supported to put these values into action during the week.