**Literacy Focus**

Reading: This term, we will focus on recognising the features of non-fiction texts – using contents pages and simple indexes to find information.

Writing: We will be working on developing our formative writing skills this term, including lists, letters and instructions.

Listening and Talking: Pupils will be encouraged to share their thoughts and feelings on texts they have chosen.

P1 will continue to move through the Jolly Phonics scheme to learn new sounds. We will also be focussing on rhyming words.

**Numeracy Focus**

All stages this term will be developing their maths skills in the concept of time.

P1 pupils will work on sequencing days of the week and months of the year as well as reading o’clock times on digital and analogue clocks. P2 will focus on telling the time on the hour and half past the hour while P3 extend this knowledge using quarter past and quarter to times.

Our number work this term will focus on estimating and rounding numbers.

We will continue to work on numeracy through our daily Big Maths and through Number Talks to help improve fluency and flexibility in mental agility.

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**Additional Information**

Please ensure your child has suitable clothes for outdoor learning. These, together with wellies, can be left at school.

PE will take place on Mondays and Fridays.

Please label all pupils belongings as it is very easy for items to get mixed up or lost.

**Opportunities for Personal Achievement**

It is good to feel proud of what we achieve. This term we will all get the opportunity to take part in:

* School Committees
* Sports Clubs / Activities / After School Clubs
* Target Setting and Celebrating Success
* Reward Time
* Class Dojo / Dojo Champ of the week

Please let us know about your child’s achievements outside of school.

**Ethos & Life of the school**

This term’s opportunities include:

* DFS Silver Accreditation
* Christmas Service
* Christmas Show
* After School Clubs
* Outdoor Learning

**Discrete Subjects**

**RME** - This term we will be focusing on Christmas celebrations around the world.

**MFL**- We continue to work on our French and BSL language skills through daily activities. This term we also have weekly visits from our mandarin teacher Miss Xu.

**Health & Wellbeing Focus**

The focus on our Health and Wellbeing studies will be sexual health. The children will learn about respect for their body and what behaviour is right and wrong. They will learn about where living things come from and about how they grow, develop and are nurtured. We will also look at the tasks required to look after a baby. Our focus during P.E will be ball skills.

Through self-assessment, Number Talks and target setting the children will continue to evaluate and assess their own work, developing an ability to talk about their learning and identify ways to improve.

**Interdisciplinary Learning**

Our Topic for this term continues with Our World. Questions we have left to answer include:

How do we look after our world?

Who made inventions like computers?

What animals live in Africa?

We will then focus on Christmas looking at how Christmas is celebrated around the world.