

4th June 2018



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To: Parents of Pupils in Reception to Year 5

Dear Parents

Curriculum Changes

As you are probably aware, we are continuously reviewing our curriculum. We assess pupils against key skills and objectives, some of which are subject specific and some of which are personal, social and emotional. Where possible, we aim to create cross-curricular links and for this reason, we are planning to follow a more creative curriculum, combining some of our subject lessons into 'topic' lessons. Topics will be carefully selected to allow key skills and objectives to be covered.

This will work by initially having half-termly topics. These lessons will replace History and Geography and additionally, Art and DT for Years 1-4; the time allocation will remain the same. This will allow the children to spend much more time on a topic and therefore become more engaged, gaining a real purpose and thirst for learning. Teachers will choose topics that particularly appeal to the children in their class (and this will change year on year) and also ones they have a personal interest and enthusiasm for. Where possible, other subjects, for example, English, ICT and Science will also be taught with reference to these. Teaching in this way will mean that some weeks there could be, for example, more History taught whilst in other weeks, more Art. We may hold more whole Science days. Over the course of the year though, this will balance out and all objectives from all subjects will have been covered.

We are really excited about these changes and hope that you can share in our vision. If you would like to discuss this any further, I will be holding a meeting on Thursday 14th June at 4pm to share our ideas further.

Please indicate below if you wish to attend. The venue will be confirmed nearer the time once I have gained a better idea of numbers.

Yours sincerely

Mrs V Wright
Head of Junior School



Child's Name: _____

Class: _____

I / we would like to attend the meeting on Thursday 14th June regarding the curriculum changes.

Names of those attending: _____

Signed: _____

Date: _____

Please return to your child's class teacher by Friday 8th June 2018



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