

Barn Croft Primary School

Year 1 Curriculum Newsletter

Autumn 2017



The children have already settled in really quickly, learning the routines of year 1 and working very hard which is great to see. I'm positive that we are going to have a very successful year!

The children have had a great year in Reception and Year 1 will give them an excellent opportunity to build on the progress they have made. We are very excited about getting to know each other more and for working on all of the lovely things we have planned for the year ahead

Families, magical gardens, animals, mini-beasts, plants, forest school, the United Kingdom, continents and materials are just a few of the amazing things that we have planned. Our aim is to have lots of fun, be engaged and develop a wonderful curiosity and desire for learning, not only our literacy and numeracy skills but also about the world around us

English: The children will be focusing on using Set 2 and 3 sounds to start to spell words and use this skill to develop rhyming words. They will be using traditional tales to practise writing sentences, learning how to sequence stories and recite their own tale with beginnings, middles and endings. The children will write sentences using the pronoun 'I,' and will join words in sentences using 'and.'

Maths: We will focus on place value of numbers to 20 and practise our recall of number bonds to 10. We will begin to represent calculations using symbols for addition and subtraction, using a number line to help add and subtract single digit numbers. We will be recognising and naming the features of common 2D and 3D shapes and start to form an understanding of money and time.

Topic: My family and me and animals: We are going to be looking at how people don't always like the same things and that we have differences but these make us unique and special and being different is a good thing. There will be an Introduction to new members of our family such as cousins, Aunts and Uncles with the intention of creating our own family tree. This term we will start to look at different types of animals, the habitats they live in and the unique adaptations that help them to survive in their environment. Habitats can be extremely diverse and we will start to look at geographical locations around the world.

History: Sir David Attenborough is the famous person that our class will be focusing on during the first half term. We will be looking at his greatest achievements and some of the global events that have taken place during his spectacular life.

PE: We are doing gymnastics in PE this half term with the focus being on balancing and controlling our bodies. PE lessons are every **Tuesday and Friday** and children will need a full kit.

Religious Education: Introduction to major religions around the world using circle time discussions to learn what they are and how they affect people and emphasise tolerance and acceptance that people have different beliefs.

I'm looking forward to the rest of this half term and getting to know you and the children. I think they're really going to enjoy what we have planned for them!

Mr Knapp