



Curriculum News - Tiger Class (Years 1 and 2 - Mrs Crowe)

Spring Term 2024

Happy New Year and welcome back to School! I hope you have had a lovely festive break.

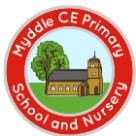
The Spring Term is quite a lot shorter than usual, so there is no time to waste. In addition to all our regular work, we will be taking in part in the NSPCC Number Day and Red Nose Day, as well as celebrating World Book Day, Mothers' Day, and inviting you all to our Easter Service. We will also have our first Class trip of the year. More information about each of those events will be circulated in due time. Please subscribe to the School's weekly newsletter, so that you are up to date with all School events.

There are no changes to our weekly timetable for this term, so Homework books are still due back each Monday. Reading books and Reading Records should be brought to School every day. At home, your child should also be heard reading every day. Listening to your child read is important to support developing their decoding skills and well as build fluency and expression in their reading. We would like you to make a small comment on child's Reading Record every time you listen to them read, so that we are aware of their reading habits at home.

PE sessions will continue to take place on a Wednesday and Friday and children are expected to come to school wearing their PE kits.

Overview of the topics we are studying during the Autumn Term:

	Spring 1	Spring 2
English (Reading and Writing)	Phonics (Read, Write, Inc) Main Class books: "Wolves", by Emily Gravett Focus: Non-chronological reports, information writing, and character descriptions. "Sea Saw" by Tom Percival Focus: Narrative, writing in role, diary entry, letters of thanks.	Phonics (Read, Write, Inc) Main Class books: "Lost Species", by Jess French "Last Stop on Market Street" "I Want My Hat Back", by Jon Klassen Focus: Story sequels, letters and lists.



Literacy - Grammar, spelling and punctuation	Years 1 and 2 statutory spelling lists Commas in lists Adverbs Word classes Coordination Apostrophes for possession	Years 1 and 2 statutory spelling lists Past and present tenses Pronouns Apostrophes for contraction Uplevelling sentences Nouns and pronouns Past tense
Maths	Y1: Number & Place Value (within 50) Addition & subtraction (within 20) Y2: Shape Measurement: money Multiplication and division	All: Measurement: length and height Y1: Measurement: mass and volume Y2: Measurement: mass, capacity and temperature
Science	Living things and their habitats	Scientists and inventors
RE (Understanding Christianity)	Light and Dark	Ceremonies
Geography / History	Magical Mapping	Charles Darwin - significant local historical figure

We will continue to follow our School cycle plans for all other subjects (PE, Art, D&T, PSHE, Spanish, etc), but those are organised in a slightly different way to allow for the mixed age-group classes and ensure appropriate curriculum coverage. The main changes in our usual routine is that Mr Glover will now teach Tiger Class RE and Computing on Thursday morning, instead of Science.

We will also start to utilise the new Geography-based homework "menu" trialled in Rhino Class during the Autumn Term. More information about that will be circulated in the next few days.

I hope this information is useful. Should you have any queries, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Kind regards,

Mrs Crowe