



Bolton-le-Sands C of E Primary School

Curriculum Newsletter



Welcome to the autumn term edition one of the Curriculum Newsletter. We hope that you will find it useful and informative.

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This half term in our **personal, social and emotional development and learning**, we will be focusing on settling the children into school, encouraging new friendships and making good relationships with adults and peers. We will also be using 'The colour monster' story to look at our own feelings and emotions.

In our **Literacy** work, we will be introducing **phonics**, where the children will learn the first phonic sounds and use these to blend and segment words. The children will also focus on recognising and writing their own name.

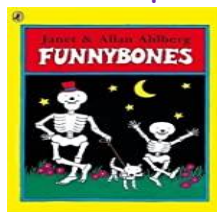
Our **mathematics** work will focus on basic number knowledge, counting, number rhymes and shapes.

Through our **understanding of the world learning**, we will explore **our families** and how each family is different. In our Autumn topic, we will look at **Autumn changes** around us.

As part of our **Physical Development**, we will be learning to independently dress and undress for PE and developing our gross motor skills in our Enjoy-a-Ball sessions.

In **RE**, we will be discussing how 'I and special'. We will also be exploring **harvest** and what happens at harvest time.

Key texts for our topics



Some key words and themes to think and chat together about at home:

feelings
body parts
emotions

harvest
Autumn
seasons

PE will continue to be on a **Monday** and **Thursday**.

Please could you send in a pair of named wellies to be kept in school. We are accessing the outdoor area whatever the weather!

Please ensure that **earrings** are not worn on PE days.

Mrs Squires will be teaching in the Sunshine Class on **Thursday mornings**.

How can I help at home?

Practise with your child putting on their coat independently, and getting themselves dressed in a morning.

Due to COVID we will be sending books home less regularly. **Two reading books** will be sent home on a **Friday** and collected in on a **Wednesday** to be quarantined before going back into circulation. Please spend time each evening reading with your child and return their book and signed Reading Record to school every day.

Don't forget to check your child's **phonic book** for the new sounds learnt each week. You can practise writing words that contain the sound, draw pictures or just spot the new sounds in your reading book.

Unfortunately, we cannot chat informally on the playground or invite you into school unless by prior appointment. If you have any concerns or would like to discuss any aspect of your child's progress, please do not hesitate to email us.

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