Bolton-le-Sands C of E Primary School

CURRICULUM NEWSLETTER

Welcome to the summer term edition of the Curriculum Newsletter.
This term, the key concepts that we will focus on are:
Diversity and respect, change and environment and belonging and community.

Our main theme this term is:

Our Brilliant Bay

Our Key Enquiry Question is:
Why is Morecambe a fabulous place to live?

In **English**, we will be exploring traditional tales with a twist. We will be focusing on inferring characters feelings, sequencing events and answering questions based on what we have read. We are going to create and write our own tale with a twist. Later in the term, we will be reading 'Katie Morag'. We will be writing our own version based on the Brilliant Bay. We will be learning how to use time sequencing words to structure our writing and how to use a range of conjunctions to extend our sentences. We will also be learning to recognise and use exclamation marks and question marks in our writing and consolidating how to use capital letters and full stops correctly in our extended writing.

In **maths** the children will be continuing to develop their understanding of place value, money, the four operations (+ - x ÷) and fractions. We will be exploring two-digit numbers and how they are made up of tens and units and learning how to partition them. Throughout our learning, we will be applying our skills of addition and subtraction and counting in 2s, 5s, 10s and for Year 2's counting in 3s. and 10s. Any help at home would be wonderful to help children recall these multiplication facts.

In **science** we will be learning to recognise whether things are alive, dead or have never lived. As well as identify different plants and animals and recognise that they are suited to their different habitats, including micro-habitats.

In **geography** we are going to be comparing our local area to the Gold Coast in Australia. Our learning in **history** will focus on looking at seaside holidays and how they have changed over time. *If you have any photos of your family (past and present) at Morecambe beach (other seaside places will also be great).*

In **art** we will be exploring sculpture and using wire to create our own designs.

In **music** the children will be learning to sing and play in a variety of pitches.

As part of our **DT**, we will be learning to recognise it is important to eat more fruit and vegetables and gain an understanding of the Eatwell plate. We will also be designing and making sandwiches.

In **computing**, we are going to learn about computer programming through using Scratch.

In **PE** we are going to be developing our fundamental skills by playing different playground games and practising our athletics skills ready for Sports Day. Our PE lessons will be on Tuesdays and Wednesdays. Children must have a named school PE kit (plain shorts, blue t-shirt and pumps) in school everyday. Trainers and tracksuit bottoms for outdoor PE are also advised.

Our theme for **PSHE** this term will be 'Being our best' and 'Growing and Changing.'

How can I help at home?

Please spend time **each day** reading with your child, discussing the text and return their book along with your comments in their **Reading Record**. Two reading books will be provided every Monday for your child to read throughout the week. This is a good opportunity to re-read books to develop fluency, expression and understanding.
Every Friday, new phonic sounds/tricky words/Spellings will also be added to your child's 'Phonics/Spelling Book'. Please practise reading/writing the sounds/words to consolidate our learning in school. These books will be collected in on Thursdays and returned on Fridays.

If you have any concerns or would like to discuss any aspect of your child's progress, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Many thanks for your continued support.

Miss Natasha Todd