

ST LAWRENCE C E PRIMARY SCHOOL

**YEAR 1
CURRICULUM
OUTLINE**

**Autumn Term 2018
(Second Half)**

Into The Wild



Our topic this half term is 'Into The Wild'. The children will visit the wildlife area in school and our fabulous finish will be 'Wild Day' where the children will be able to come to school dressed as a 'wild thing'.

Maths

In Maths, the children will continue to develop their understanding of numbers, counting and place value through practical activities and by making use of a range of equipment. They will develop their knowledge of missing number sentences, time on the clock, money and measures in activities related to our topic.

Literacy

During literacy lessons, the children will be immersed in our text, 'Where the Wild Things Are'. Using both images and text from the story, children will have the opportunity to write for a range of purposes, including descriptive writing, story writing and non-fiction writing. Phonics will remain a key aspect of our curriculum and daily phonics sessions will be taught in a fun and active manner. Additionally, children will learn basic grammar and punctuation to support and enhance their writing.



Science



The focus for this half term is 'Seasonal Changes'. The children will learn to identify and describe different features of the four seasons. Forces will also be explored this half term with children looking at pushes and pulls.

Geography

Children will have the opportunity to explore the 7 continents and the world oceans which separate them. They will also make the link between seasons, climates and world locations. They will further develop their knowledge of countries and locate them on a world map.

Computing

As always, the children will further develop their independence when using computing equipment. They will learn how to switch on and shut down a computer, how to log on and off independently as well as basic keyboard and mouse skills. We will be using our computing skills to create and run an algorithm to control a Beebot. The interactive whiteboard is always accessible to pupils.



RE

This half term the children will look at the role of forgiveness in Bible stories. They will also prepare themselves for Christmas by learning and actively celebrating the Christmas story through drama and role play.

History

The children will be exploring a variety of boats this half term. This will include sorting, describing, comparing and contrasting old and new boats through observation and reading. They will use this knowledge to create a timeline showing how boats have developed over time. They will also be asking questions which allow them to understand how boats have evolved throughout the ages.



Art

Throughout the term, there will be many opportunities for children to use their creativity and develop their drawing and painting skills. We will create observational sketches of our landscape and explore colour mixing when painting pictures. We will also use clay to design and create the children's impression of a wild thing.

DT

The children will have daily opportunities to build on their Design and Technology skills through accessing the DT box in their classrooms. We will explore how the concept of structure can be applied to constructing a framework for a boat.

Music



In music we will be developing listening skills, responding to and making music using our voices and percussion. This will be linked to our topic and we will work together to make a composition. We will be developing our skills of music appreciation and comparing different sounds from a range of instruments.

PE

In swimming we will be further developing key skills and focusing on water safety.

Children will enjoy developing their gymnastic skills by exploring shapes and positions on the apparatus.

Swimming - Cherry/Holly classes Monday, Lime class Tuesday

Gymnastics - Lime class Thursday, Cherry/Holly classes Wednesday

Please ensure your child has the correct clothes for PE and that this is **fully named**. PE kit should remain at school all week. Children are encouraged to bring a tracksuit to wear in the colder weather.

PSHCE



During circle time we will be learning to discuss the ingredients of friendship. We will discuss the importance of listening and problem-solving. The children will be encouraged to take responsibility for their own learning and classroom environment. Our School Values will underpin all aspects of school life.

Learning at Home

Please try to read with your child each day for 10 minutes. This could be a school or home book. As your child becomes more independent, he/she will be able to change his/her school book on his/her own first thing in the morning. Your child will receive a number and phonics book for home learning. A phonics and maths task will often be set fortnightly on a Friday and will be due in a week on Wednesday. There will also be creative or investigative tasks set for home learning linked to topic work. **It would be very helpful if all pupils could have a St Lawrence book bag for their reading record, reading book and phonics and number book.**



The partnership between home and school is vital to your child's learning. Thank you for your continued support with this.

Dates for Your Diary

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| <i>Tuesday 6 November</i> | 5.30 Parent consultations |
| <i>Thursday 8 November</i> | 3.30 Parent consultations |
| <i>Tuesday 20 November</i> | 8.50 St Lawrence Hub coffee morning |
| <i>Thursday 22 November</i> | 8.50-9.15 Whole school 'Stay and Learn together' for parents |
| <i>Saturday 1 December</i> | PTA Christmas bazaar |
| <i>Friday 7 December</i> | School clubs finish |
| <i>Wednesday 12 December</i> | 2.00 Nativity service |

For your information Mrs Bezuidenhout and Mrs Holmes will teach Cherry and Lime classes for Music and RE on Thursday afternoons.

**We would like to thank you
for your continued support and co-operation**