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**Weekly Curriculum Newsletter – Wk beginning 12<sup>th</sup> November 2018**  
**(Lunch Menu -Week 3)**

Well done to our School Council members for organising a super Halloween party. There were some frightening costumes and a lot of fun was had by all. Their next venture is Children In Need and they have ideas on raising funds in an enjoyable way – information to follow shortly from the council team.

School is looking to extend the hours of Breakfast Club in January and opening hours will be 8am – 8.45 am in our School Hall. At present the club is struggling to self fund – prices per session have been very low, which means food costings are not met and our charges are not in line with other providers. Therefore, we plan to increase our charges to £1.50 daily for each individual child from January.

Curriculum Initiative: in line with our commitment to raising levels of attainment, our school are introducing the use of Pupil Key Focus Assessment Booklets in Reading, Writing and Mathematics. Our aim is to ensure staff and pupils are regularly discussing expectations for learning and attainment across each year group in line with the National Curriculum. Staff are committed to using this strategy with pupils to ensure they, the individual pupil and the parents are clear as to where a pupil is in their learning and what their next step / targets should be. Planning and provision can then respond to pupil needs and focus down on what still requires additional support through revisiting, applying and practicing on a daily basis. The additional bonus is that those pupils who need extended in their learning are also identified quickly and provision for additional challenging teaching / learning opportunities can be planned for and offered by staff. Staff will talk with you about this initiative during your slot on Parents Evening and a copy of the Year Group Objectives relevant to your child will be provided ( Reading / Writing / Mathematics) so you know what your child is aiming for in terms of learner attainment.

**Weekly Curriculum Overview: Class 1 (Miss Shannon / Mrs Salkeld)**

Literacy: This week we will be focusing on videos that link in with anti-bullying week and writing about emotions.

Phonics: We will continue to work through phase 3 and 5 of letters and sounds looking at digraphs and alternative spellings of sounds.

Maths: This week we will be moving on to look at multiplication.



### **Weekly Curriculum Overview: Class 2 (Mrs Thomson / Miss Painter / Mrs Glencross)**

Literacy: we are using 'Anti-bullying Week' as our inspiration for writing. We are going to write letters about bullying and how to help a friend a need.

Numeracy: In Year 2 we are exploring how to add 2 digit numbers, and how we can separate them into 10's and 1's. In Year 3 and 4 we will be starting to look at subtraction and how we might need to exchange our 10s, and how to use subtraction to check our addition.

### **Weekly Curriculum Overview: Class 3 (Mr Robertson / Mrs Nolan)**

Literacy: we are continuing with recounts based on the UFO theme, we will be adding to our collection of recounts already started and furthering our use of grammar within the context of space and alien writing.

Guided reading books remain as 'Goodnight Mr. Tom', for the year six children, 'The Dream Maker' for year five and 'The diary of Anne Frank' for year four.

Spellings will be learning to make opposites using prefixes, im, in, dis, un, ir etc.

Numeracy: we are continuing with work on fractions and division. Mental maths work will focus back on tables, multiplying by 10, 100 and 100 and adding pairs of decimals.

### **Diary dates**

**16<sup>th</sup> November:** Children In Need Day (*school council information letter to follow at start of next week*).

**29<sup>th</sup> November:** Parents Evening (*details will follow with appointment slips nearer this date*).

**6<sup>th</sup> December:** Christmas Craft afternoon- all three classes – Parents welcome – more details to follow.

**11<sup>th</sup> December:** Christmas Service in school at 2:00 p.m. – Parents welcome.

**12<sup>th</sup> December:** Christmas Lunch in school.

**17<sup>th</sup> December:** Dress Rehearsal.

**19<sup>th</sup> December:** Christmas concert in Village Hall at 1:30 p.m.

**20<sup>th</sup> December:** Class Christmas Parties.

**21<sup>st</sup> December:** Video Day. School closes at 1:00 p.m. for Christmas break.

### **School Uniform**

School uniform should now be ordered direct from our supplier at

<https://www.schooltrends.co.uk/uniform/GreatOrtonSchoolCA56NA>

**Our Breakfast Club is asking for donations of any board or box games/ jigsaws your child may no longer play at home – now is a great time to have a clear out before Santa arrives with new ones!**

**REMEMBER our weekly Monday Superstar assembly at 9.10am – all welcome.**

Have a fun weekend and relax together as a family.

