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## **Right Start-Bright Future** Newsletter 9 February 2024

Dear Families

Over that last eighteen months we have been developing and implementing our new curriculum. We are really pleased with the outcomes. All the information of what the children learn is contained in the school website. To help you to navigate through the **Curriculum Page**, there are a number of curriculum documents that provide information about what the children are learning in their year groups.

The 3I's – This explains the Intent, Implementation and Impact of our school curriculum.

The Curriculum Map – Here, you will find out what your child will be learning in each subject over the term.

**Curriculum Coverage** – This outlines the units of study within each subject for each year group that will be taught over the year.

**Curriculum Core Learning** – This explains in more detail the 'threads' of learning within the unit of study, links to prior learning, key knowledge, vocabulary and end points for assessments.

### School Attendance Matters -We aim for 100% our target is 98%.

Last week :F2 = 100% Year 1 = 98.6%, Year 2 = 98.3%, Year 3 = 96.9%, Year 4 = 98.7%, Year 5 = 96.8%, Year 6 = 91.7%. Overall school attendance = 97.2%. Well done to F2 and Years 1, 2 and 4.

This week: F2 = 95% Year 1 = 97.9%, Year 2 = 89.7%, Year 3 = 96.3%, Year 4 = 97.3%, Year 5 = 90.6%, Year 6 = 93 %. Overall school attendance = 94.3%.

# **REMEMBER #EVERYDAYCOUNTS.**

#### 'Magic Moments'

**F2** - In F2 our exploration across Planet Earth has led us to the Eastern regions, where the Lunar New Year is celebrated. After learning that this year is the year of the dragon, the children have enjoyed learning about the diverse ways Chinese New Year is celebrated, both locally and around the world. They particularly enjoyed the experience of using musical instruments to create their own lion dance.

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**Year 1** – This week Year 1 have enjoyed developing their scientific skills by making observational drawings of their seedlings having pulled them up from their compost. We talked about why plants grow at different rates,

and have decided to grow some more plants to put in our outdoor area. We have also enjoyed thinking about how we are all the same and are all different through looking at Elmer as part of our 'No Outsiders' work. Year 2 – This week we have been learning how to have courage and to be ourselves. We read a story called 'How to be a lion'. Leonard's friends were not very nice to him because he wanted to be friends with a duck. We created a poster to show Leonard how to have courage and be himself. Courage is one of our school values. Year 3 – We have been musicians this week, learning to play a pentatonic scale and melody. We have also read a story that showed us that being unique is not only alright, but brave too. In Maths, we have been learning to tell the time to the 5 minute interval.

**Year 4** – This week we have produced some excellent art work by developing drawings into prints. We have also been focusing on positivity as part of 'Children's Mental Health Awareness Week' and completed an activity where we left our names on a Post-it for other members of the class to write positive words on. When we returned to our own Post-its, we were amazed to see what people truly thought of us when we can be positive.

**Year 5** – This week we visited the World Museum in Liverpool to explore artefacts from our history topic on Ancient Greece. The children were impeccably behaved throughout the trip, showing they always uphold our ready, respectful and safe example even outside the school building. We had a fantastic time exploring all the exhibits in the museum, particularly the space one! Seeing a real-life rocket was a brilliant experience - the children were in awe!

**Year 6** – This week, Year 6 carried out some research as part of their current writing project. The class are in the planning stage of writing a narrative about Charles Darwin's renowned expeditions. They spent some time this week researching sloths, iguanas, giant tortoises and a variety of birds so that they could become more familiar with their features, behaviours and diets. This will help Year 6 in their writing as they will be able to include key details about what Darwin observed.

**Eco News:** Once again we have filled our battery bin, and we are waiting for it to be collected again! We have collected an amazing 3042 batteries. We are currently up to 23 on the leader board. Please keep collecting and counting batteries, we are doing an amazing job at reducing waste going to landfill. During our Eco Team meeting after school we have chosen our three topics for this year which will be: Marine, Litter and Transport. We will keep you updated with some of the things we will be doing. Thank you, Miss Ramejkis.

#### WE NEED YOU FOR BRITISH SCIENCE WEEK: 11-15 March 2024.

The theme for this year is 'Blue Planet'. We are working with 'STEMsation' to create workshops for the children to work scientifically and to understand the impact of our lives on the Planet. To further enhance this, we are keen for parents/ family members to come and share with the children their jobs and the role you do. This may be in the chemical industry, medicine, climate change, utilities and power, transport. Please email Miss Ramejkis if you feel you could come and talk with a class about your role termeiltie@brookburst.wirrel.sch.uk

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Kind regards

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**AND FINALLY**...... A reminder there will be the PTA Disco for the children on Monday 12 February and RAGS to RICHES collection of clothes, fabric on 14 February.

Our focused author is Laura Ellen Anderson – 'I DON'T WANT CURLY HAIR' not only does Laura write her own books, she illustrates them as well!

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