

**Curriculum Newsletter**

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| Year 2 Term 2 2024/25  Hello everyone! We would like to say well done to all of our children for making such a fantastic start to the new school year. They have settled back into school life brilliantly and have made excellent progress in their learning – we couldn’t be more proud of them! This newsletter will give you a brief overview of what your child will be covering up until the Christmas break. If you have any questions please speak with any member of the Senior Leadership Team or see your child’s teacher at the end of the school day.  You can also contact your class teacher via the class email africaclass@sgmail.org.uk. Please note that the class email account is not routinely checked during the school day, so if you have an urgent message, please contact the school office.  A few reminders before we kick off the new year!   * We ask that children come to school in their full school uniform. Please refer to our school website for further information on this - <https://www.themanorcofeprimary.org.uk/school-uniform> * We would also like to remind our families that we are a nut-free school. Some of our children suffer with various allergies and so in order to keep everyone safe, we ask that you do not include food items containing nuts in your child’s lunch box or as a break time snack. * We would also like to reiterate that as your child is in KS1, they receive a healthy snack provided by school. We therefore ask that all children in KS1 (Year R – 2) **do not** bring in an additional snack. Thank you. | | |
| Image result for children writing clipart**English**  In English this term we will be beginning by creating our own stories inspired by the BBC 500 words competition. We will then move onto Autumnal poetry, before learning about information texts and how to write them.  **Reading**  Image result for children reading clipartAt the end of this newsletter, we have attached some question prompts you might want to use when you read with your child. If you have any questions about how to support your child at home please speak with your class teacher at the end of a school day. | | **Maths**  In Maths this term we will develop our understanding of addition and subtraction. We will be exploring part whole and bar models, revisiting our understanding of number bonds to 10 and learning how this knowledge can help us when calculating with larger numbers. We will also be looking at the inverse relationship between addition and subtraction.  Image result for simple part whole  If you would like any information on how we teach these methods in class or guidance on how to support at home, please do not hesitate to speak to your class teacher. |
| **Topic Subjects**  Our Foundation Subject Topic this term is ‘Girl Power!’ We will be learning all about some key women in history and the impact they made on modern day life. We will start by learning about Elizabeth Fry and prison reform and then will focus on the work of Emmeline Pankhurst and the Suffragettes. As part of our Science learning, we will be finding out about our STEM hero Tanni Grey-Thompson. We will learn about her achievements as an athlete and will consider how we would need to adapt our school to make it accessible for her if she were ever to visit us.  Please find below some of the key facts that your child will learn. We will use these facts in our quick recall quizzes and we will be referring back to them over the term. Ask your child about these questions at home to help them remember the knowledge!  Elizabeth Fry visited Newgate prison and was disgusted with the conditions she saw.  She believed all prisoners should be reformed, not punished. She helped to keep them clean and healthy.  Emmeline Pankhurst wanted to change how women were treated – she noticed that things were not equal between boys and girls.  Emmeline Pankhurst fought alongside other suffragettes to help get British women the right to vote. | | |
| http://racemeadow.org.uk/wp/wp-content/uploads/pe-clipart.jpg | Your child will be taking part in P.E on **Monday** and **Thursday**.  We ask that children come to school dressed in their P.E kits on the days that they have P.E. We would like to remind our families that this involves wearing a gold P.E top and black shorts or black jogging bottoms and white/black trainers/daps. Usual school sweatshirt/ cardigan can be worn with this – no other sweatshirts to be worn please. | |

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| http://northnibleyclasses.weebly.com/uploads/3/1/7/1/31716867/8014392_orig.png | **Home learning Expectations**  **Home Reading** – We ask that your child reads at least 5 times a week at home. Please prioritise this as this is proven to be the most impactful for children and their learning in school.  **Maths** – We ask that your child completes a ‘Fluency Bee’ worksheet to develop their fluency and consolidate learnt number facts.  **Spellings** – Please practise the weekly spellings at home by completing the worksheet and doing any additional practise your child needs to support the learning in school.  Please ensure you record evidence of your home learning in your home learning books so that you receive your ‘Home Learning Hero’ time! |
| We need YOU! - Baxter College | We are excited to invite you to join us in our mission to foster a love for reading among our young learners at The Manor.  Reading is a fundamental skill that lays the foundation for a lifetime of learning. We are seeking parent/carer volunteers who can spare some time to read with our children. Your support and enthusiasm can make a significant difference in their reading journey.  If you can spare an hour or so a week to read with our brilliant readers, please contact the class teacher. Thank you! |
| http://www.schoolkit.net/media/catalog/product/cache/1/image/9df78eab33525d08d6e5fb8d27136e95/a/c/activ-plus.jpg | Please ensure your child has a bottle of water at school every day.  Also please make sure that their belongings including school uniform, PE kit, book bags, lunch boxes and water bottles are all clearly labelled with your child’s name and class.  Un-named uniform will be taken to the main entrance and put into lost property to be collected.  As we move into the winter months, please ensure your child comes to school with suitable outdoor clothing. This may include a thicker winter coat and gloves.  We ask children not to bring toys or items from home into school unless invited to do so by their class teacher. |

**Year 2 Term 2 Key dates:**

Wb 11/11/24 Anti-Bullying Week

Wb 11/11/24 Book Fair

02/12/24 FOMS Christmas Craft Morning

04/12/24 Parent & Carers Coffee Morning

06/12/24 FOMS Christmas Fayre

10/12/24 KS1 Christmas Production (2pm & 5pm)

13/12/24 FOMS Christmas Gift Sale

17/12/24 Christmas Lunch

18/12/24 Whole Visit to The Tobacco Factory (further details to follow closer to the time)

20/12/24 Christmas Church Service (10am)



**Question Prompts to use when reading with your child**



