



Learning Challenge Curriculum

In the first half of the Autumn term our topic is called 'REACH for Greatness'. We will be exploring what makes York great including how the railway and the chocolate factory help York and how they have changed over time. In the second half of the Autumn term our topic will be 'Vile Victorians'. We will take part in Victorian school dress up day and learn all about school life in the Victorian times.

Mathematics

In year 2 we will be focusing on numbers 10-100, addition and subtraction within 20 and being able to fluently add and subtract within 10. We will then look at adding two digit numbers using practical and pictorial methods. In year 1, we will look at addition and subtraction within 10 and identifying the place value of numbers within 20.



Literacy

In Literacy, we will be starting by writing a recount of our holidays and our trip to the railway museum. After that, we will be focusing on a narrative and writing our own journey tale based on the book 'The Runaway train.' In the second half term will be looking at information texts based on the Victorians. We will be writing non-chronological reports about what schools were like and the different jobs that children had in Victorian times.

Science

In Science we will be observing the different changes across the four seasons and we will be looking at being able to describe the weather associated with each season,



Well-being and behaviour

The children will continue to take part in a daily 'check in' to ensure that they are well and ready to learn at the start of each day. House points continue to be given out to children who regularly demonstrate our whole school REACH values (Respect, Effort, Attitude, Care, Honesty). The teachers will regularly use their behaviour wheel to both reward children who have shown WOW behaviour, and to remind those who may be Wobbly.



Attendance

Please make sure your child arrives in school between **8.50am and 9.00am** and is picked up promptly at **3.15pm**. If possible, please avoid speaking to teachers on a morning. If you have any messages please can you pass them to the Teaching Assistant on the door and they will inform the class teacher. Please try to avoid medical/dental appointments during the school day and avoid taking holidays in term time. If your child is unwell, please ring school on **01904 806655 before 9am** and let us know.



How can you support your child's learning?

Please share a book with your child every day. We will change their books on **WEDNESDAYS and FRIDAYS**. Please take note of the Phonics letter that will come home with your child on a Friday detailing the Grapheme / Phoneme correspondences that the children have been learning in class that week, and spend some time reading the lists of words they have been learning that week.



Things to remember each week

PE Days: **Seahorse and Dolphins – Wednesday and Friday. Octopus – Thursday and Friday**. Please ensure your child comes into school in their school uniform. They will get changed into their PE kits in school. Please make sure your child has either plimsolls or trainers in school on the PE days. **Snack** – School provides a healthy snack for all children every day, children are welcome to bring in their own piece of fruit if they would like. **However, snacks such as cereal bars, chocolate biscuits, crisps and sweets are not appropriate. Water bottles** – If your child would like to bring a water bottle for them to access at break time and lunchtime, please bring one clearly named and labelled.

