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Dallington Church of England Primary School Autumn



Bodle Street Class

Year 3 / 4

2024-2025

Dear parent/guardian(s),

Can we first take this opportunity to welcome you back after the long break. Thank you for your kind cards and gifts at the end of last term. They were very much appreciated.

This term, is the first step on what promises to be another action packed, interesting and enjoyable year. We start the new year by focussing our new topic Explorers, which will take us on many adventures to places real and imagined. We will focus on the Vikings and Alfred The Great.

Firstly, let's take the opportunity to introduce you to the Bodle Street Team. Mr Tooze will be teaching on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday. Mrs Nguyen will be teaching Thursday and Friday. Mrs Donnebaer and Ms Egan are our fantastic new classroom assistants and Mrs Burrough will also be working in our class.

The children will find this term hopefully enjoyable but hard work, we have a lot to cover and a lot to do, homework plays a vital role in this. Homework will continue, math will be set via maths.co.uk each week and children will have a Spelling Bee words to learn. Homework is set to support, consolidate and extend the children's understanding and knowledge. If anyone has any questions or concerns about the homework please feel free to contact us.

PE lessons will continue to be every Thursday. Children are expected to wear their PE kit into school on these days.

Just a quick reminder about reading, although we are now at the top end of the school, reading *still remains vitally important to all children*. Please try to encourage or hear your child read for 10 minutes per night. If you cannot hear them read please ask them questions not only about what they have read but what they think will happen. Please comment in their reading records about any problems or concerns.

We are excited about this year, it will be a tough but thoroughly enjoyable experience.

As always, if you have any concerns, worries or observations please do not hesitate to contact us, we are always available.

We hope you find this leaflet has been helpful.

Thank you for your support.

Mr. Tooze/Mrs Nguyen and the Bodle Street team

Literacy

In literacy we will be following Jane Considine's Write Stuff lessons helping to develop children's story writing. The children will be starting with a non-fiction unit about a holiday brochure. The sessions will be focused on building up the story in plot pieces focusing on the use of descriptive language and sentence structure.



Mathematics

We will start by adding and subtracting across ten before moving onto place value and numbers up to 1000. We will end the term looking at time so please try to talk about and encourage your child to read different clocks. Learning our timetables will also be an important focus throughout the year.

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Science

Our science this term we are studying animals and humans. Exploring features of animals and sorting according to their characteristics. We will also be looking at how environments change and can sometime pose dangers to living things.



History/Geography

This term history/geography is our main focus. Our topic will be Explorers (The Vikings) and so we will be focussing on map skills in geography, looking at different parts of the world (naming continents and countries within them).



Music

Bodle Street will continue with their ukulele lessons with Mrs Dipple every week. Near Christmas, we will be learning songs to be performed during the Christmas Carol Concert.

PSHE

In PSHE the children will be focussing on the topic My Feelings. The keys questions that we will be focussing on are How can I respond to my feelings? What are my aspirational goals? We will continue to develop the skills of a Growth Mind set.



PE

In PE we have Niki leading our lessons, she will be focusing on Invasion games and circuit training.

RE

In term 1, we will be focusing on The Christian creation story. What do Christians learn from the Creation story?

In term 2, the key question will be How and why do the people mark the significant events of life?

Computing

In computing we will be looking at Computing Systems and Networks including the internet. In term 2, we will be creating media and editing audio. We will use and combine a variety of software.



ART/DT

We will be focusing on the artist Frank Bowling and will be creating our own paintings inspired by his work. In term 2, we will be designing and researching toys with mechanisms before creating our own!



French

In French we will be beginning to learn greetings and classroom phrases. We will then move onto numbers and age.