



Dunmore School
Year 2 Curriculum Newsletter
Summer Term 2017



Dear Parents/Carers

Welcome back to another new term, we are looking forward to lots of exciting activities with the children.

Our topic is: The Jungle	
<p>Our topic for term 5 and 6 is The Jungle! The topic has a very strong geography focus with lots of map work and learning about other environments. We will be comparing where we live with life in the jungle, particularly focussing on The Amazon.</p>	
<p>English</p> <p>Our English this term focusses on stories with familiar settings and we have chosen to link these stories to our jungle theme. We have already started to read jungle stories and will be aiming to write our own. In term 6 we will be 'Really Looking' at the world around us through poetry. We will read poems and look at the patterns, rhyme, word play etc. We will have a go at writing our own poetry. Alongside our topic themed work we will also have a weekly spelling, punctuation and grammar (SPaG) lesson. We will continue to send spellings home each week and will have a test each Friday.</p>	<p>Maths</p> <p>We are continuing to teach our maths in two groups so that the children are learning at the appropriate level for them. Our focus will be on number this term, making sure the children are able to use lots of different methods to answer mental arithmetic questions. We will also look for ways to develop problem solving skills through investigations and games. It would be very useful for the children to have experience of practical maths at home such as handling money, telling the time, measuring and using positional language.</p>
<p>Science</p> <p>In science we will be learning about habitats linking our local environment with what we learn about the jungle. We will also be learning about seeds and growth and hope to be out in the garden as much as possible! Fingers crossed for nice weather!</p>	<p>Computing</p> <p>This term we will be learning how to give a computer instructions called a code. The children will have fun creating animations using positional language and symbols.</p>
<p>Other Subjects</p> <p>The children will continue to be taught music by Mrs Scaber. Our art and DT will link to our topic. We hope to have a fantastic jungle appearing in our classrooms before too long!</p>	

Important Information	
Homework	Phonics- Set on Monday. Due the following Monday. Maths- Set on Friday. Due the following Friday. Spellings – set on Friday. Due the following Friday.
PE	Both classes will do PE on a Tuesday afternoon. This will always be outside unless it is raining. Please ensure a full named kit is in school which includes suitable footwear for outdoor PE.
Reading books	Children will need their reading books in school every day. We expect the children to be reading at home on a regular basis.
<p>Requests for Parents</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • As the weather becomes warmer please ensure that your child has a sunhat in school with them every day. Please apply sun cream at home in the morning; we are not able to apply sun cream in school. • Your child should have a named water bottle in school every day. • Please ensure you clearly label all items of clothing. It is very hard to keep track of all the jumpers if they are not named. 	
Key Dates	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Tuesday 6th June – Year 2 trip to Roves Farm. More details to follow. • Tuesday 27th June – Sports Day (weather permitting) • Tuesday 11th July – Open evening 6 – 7:30pm. 	

Signed

Mrs Barker and Miss Page

Class Teachers