



Jessie Younghusband School

Year 1 – Curriculum Letter – Summer Term

Welcome to our curriculum letter within which you will find useful information relating to the Summer term in Year 1.

Reminders:

- Please can P.E. kit be in school all week from Monday morning. It will be sent home every half term. Please make sure that it is all named – written labels can fade in the wash – and that your child has **plimsolls that fit included in their P.E. bag as we will be doing Games outside.**
- Every Monday the children bring home spellings; these are tested on Friday. The children are doing fantastically with these and are enjoying the challenge; thank you for your support at home. Remember, spellings do not have to stop at the 'quiz'. Writing them in sentences and re-checking past spellings are some of the ways you can extend your child further.
- Regular reading at home is, as always, essential, daily if possible. This is not limited to the school's reading scheme; children might enjoy their own books, magazines/comics and library books.



Last term:

The Spring term was an exciting and fun one! Our focus was on houses and homes which linked brilliantly to the history of homes as well as learning a lot about our own homes.

Thank you for all you have done to enable the children to settle so well, for supporting us with homework, reading and other activities. Your time and efforts are greatly appreciated and they do enhance the children's experiences and learning tremendously!

You will be receiving home your child's jam-packed Spring term topic book "There's no place like home". Please spend some time over the week looking at it with your child, enjoying and reflecting on their work, and talking about their memories. We hope you will have time to record some of your comments on the topic evaluation sheet at the back of the book to feedback your thoughts on your child's achievements. **Please return the topic book after the weekend so that we can keep it as evidence in school of work completed during the Spring term.**

This term:

We have enjoyed two exciting terms, and this term will be even better! Our topic is 'Seeds, Soil and Sunshine' with links to Beanstalks and Billy Goats.

- We will be looking at mechanisms and how our toys work and move.
- We will also think about how we, and things in our environment, move.
- We will be making pushes and pulls pictures.
- We will be finding out about growing seeds, which push upwards, and in science our investigations will show what plants need to grow and be healthy.
- We will make and taste dishes with fruit and vegetables, and think about how we can lead a healthy lifestyle.



Ideas for supporting your child's learning:

- Look at plants growing with your child; maybe they could grow some of their own at home.
- Go to the park and talk about pushes and pulls they find there.
- Talk about plants the children eat; make sure they know that vegetables they enjoy have been grown from a seed.

Finally, can you...

- Spare any time for accompanying us on our visits?
- Join us when we cook/make?

If so, please do let us know!

