# Parents' Guide to the Curriculum: Pre-Secondary, Autumn 1

# **Notices For This Half Term:**

# Monday 16th September

Individual and Sibling Photos.

# Wednesday 16th October

 Coffee Morning: SATS & Secondary School Applications

# Thursday 31st October

 Secondary School Application Deadline. Please ensure that you have applied before this date.

### **Half Term:**

 Monday 21<sup>st</sup> – Friday 25<sup>th</sup> October

# **Children return:**

Monday 28<sup>th</sup> October.

# **How Parents Can Help**

Make sure your child reads daily.

Help your child learn their weekly spellings and multiplication facts.

Encourage your child to complete all homework set. Home learning will be set via Teams.

PE Days: Tuesday and Thursday





## **MATHEMATICS**

- Children will be deepening their knowledge of place value.
- Children will be revising their use of the 4 main mathematical operations: addition, subtraction, multiplication and division.
- Children will be introduced to fractions including: mixed and improper fractions as well as multiplying and dividing fractions.
- The main focus of this term is arithmetic and strengthening your child's knowledge within arithmetic.



# COMPUTING Blogging

- To identify the purpose of writing a blog.
- To identify the features of a successful blog.
- · To plan the theme and content for a blog.
- To understand how to write a blog and a blog post.
- To consider the effect upon the audience of changing the visual properties of the blog.



#### RE

- In RE we will be learning about what Muslims learn from the prophets as a role model.
- Children will be exploring how Muslim people try to follow the teachings and behaviour of the prophet in their daily life.



## **ENGLISH**

- Children will be studying the novel 'Harry Potter'
- They will write a newspaper article about the Quidditch match between Gryffindor and Slytherin reporting on Harry's role in securing victory for his team.
- Children will then be studying a short film called 'Varmints'.



### PHYSICAL DEVELOPMENT

- Children will be learning football and fitness games.
- They will be learning to work as a team.



### **TOPIC**

- In Geography we are learning about California.
- The children will be learning about what California is like. How has drought affected people in California. How have people improved water supply for farming in California and what challenges California will continue to face in the future.



### **SCIENCE**

- Year 6 Children will be looking at Electricity.
- They will recognise circuit components and create complete and incomplete circuits
- Year 5 children will learn about properties and changes in materials.



## **PSHE**

- Children will be focusing on Planet Wellbeing followed by Planet Character-Building
- They will also learn about parliamentary debates.
- Health and wellbeing will also be an area of focus.



### **SPANISH**

 The children will be learning about school and how to describe what they do and the equipment that they use.