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Curriculum Letter

Dear Parent/Guardian,

This newsletter is to inform you of some of the topics that the children will be covering in school this half term and to give you some key information that you might need for the term ahead. There will be updates via text or class dojo. If you have not connected via class dojo please let me know and I will be able to get you a connection letter.

Subject	Unit of Work
Maths	In Maths, this half term, the children will be covering a range of curriculum areas. We will be focusing on place value up to 100. Children need to be confident with partitioning two digit numbers in a variety of different ways and use this to solve problems.
Literacy	Our focus this half term will be on sentence structure. This will be linked to our class text 'Jumanji' and there will be a focus on what makes a great sentence. Children need to ensure that they are punctuating their sentences correctly using capital letters, full stops or questions marks if that is appropriate.
RE	Our focus this half term will be around the creation of the world. Children will explore Gospel accounts which show the love and complete self-giving of Jesus.
Science	We will look at animals including humans. At the end of the unit pupils consider how we as humans can keep ourselves healthy through the food we eat and the activity we do. Pupils will design a diet and exercise plan to apply their understanding on health in the final lesson.
Foundation Subjects	Computing, Design Technology, PSHEE and Music

PE

PE will take place on a **Tuesday afternoon** and **Wednesday afternoon.** Please make sure that your child has their name in each item of their PE kit so there is no confusion or lost items. The units being covered this half term are Games and Dance. **Please ensure that all earrings are taken out before coming to school**.

Homework Expectations in Year 2

As children are now in Year 2, we are developing their indepdeence. This will include children completing homework. Although we do want to develop their indepdeence support from home will be essential in children making progress. Within the reading homework we ask that you can provide comments **three times a week.**

Subject	Expectation	How often?
Maths	There will be a minimum of 50 questions	Every week (1 week to complete)
Spellings	8-10 spellings	Every week (1 week to complete)
Reading	Children will be taking both a phonics book and a class library book. There will be a reading record sent home to support with this. We expect parents to write in the record three times a week	Daily reading Reading record comment three times a week. Monday, Wednesday and Friday.

Contact

If you have not already joined us on **Class Dojo,** please sign up to receive regular posts, messages and photos from lessons. Please visit www.classdojo.com/parent or download the free app.
In addition, please ensure you have downloaded the **MCAS app** which has replaced the Teacher to Parent messaging service. If you have any issues with downloading this app or login details, please contact the school office.

As always, children will be reminded of the class expectations of behaviour. The children will be required and encouraged to try their hardest throughout all lessons. I would like each and every child to continue their progress as an excellent learner and valued member of the St. Cuthbert's community this year. Your continued support is much appreciated.

If you have any questions, queries or comments – however big or small then please see me at the end of the school day, ask for an appointment or message me on Class Dojo

If you need any support particularly with homework, please do not hesitate to message me on dojo.

Kind Regards,

Miss May