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CHURCH OF ENGLAND PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Dear Parents,

## Autumn Term 2026 Curriculum Letter

Welcome back! I hope you have had a lovely summer and are feeling refreshed and ready for the new academic year. We have lots planned and I am looking forward to working with the children this year. Our intention is to make this term an exciting one, full of fantastic different learning opportunities which will engage the children and help them to develop and progress both academically and socially.

Staff: Class teacher: Mrs K James. Teaching assistant: Mr Rawcliffe

### Snacks

At Singleton we hold Healthy School Status, therefore we kindly ask that children bring fruit for their morning snack. Water bottles should also be brought to school - children will have access to these throughout the day.

### Homework

Homework will begin w/c 7<sup>th</sup> September. This will be online homework and will be set every Friday on 'My Maths'. Passwords for My Maths are stuck in the children's reading diary.

In addition, I ask that all children read at least 3 times a week. Children are free to change their books when necessary. Whatever stage your child is at in reading please encourage reading for enjoyment. Reading diaries will be checked by an adult once a week. In class three, we encourage children to record their reading themselves.

Times tables tests and practise will also continue in addition to the above and children will be regularly tested in class.

### Spellings

Spellings will be given out every Friday (starting Friday 11<sup>th</sup> September), children need to learn these at home using the Look, cover, write, check technique. A spelling quiz will also be set on Purple Mash. They will be tested in school the following Friday.

Below I have outlined the different units covered in each curriculum area.

### Literacy

In Literacy, we are following a 'Teach through a text' approach. Class 3 will be given the opportunity to explore journalistic writing based on The Three Little Pigs. They will write recounts and reports from various points of view. Later in the term, they will focus on playscripts. As a class, we will read The Tempest by William Shakespeare. Following this, children will analyse and write character descriptions, setting descriptions and dialogue. Every child will practise cursive handwriting and be encouraged to take pride in their work. Pen must be used in literacy books. Spelling, punctuation and grammar work will be embedded throughout our literacy units.

### Numeracy

In Numeracy, children will work across various areas of maths; number and place value, multiplication and division, handling data and fractions, decimals and percentages. Children will be working towards securing and applying basic skills and applying their knowledge to mental maths and challenges. I

encourage all children to practise times tables – at school and home- and extend their knowledge to corresponding division facts. Your support with homework or extra work is always appreciated.

### PE

Our PE day is on Tuesday. The first half of term children will focus on invasion games, in particular netball. During the second half term, children will work through a dance unit.

Children **do not** need to bring their PE bag into school, they should come to school in their PE kit every Tuesday. PE kit consists of:

- A Singleton PE white polo shirt or a plain white polo shirt
- Singleton PE Hoody
- Red shorts or black joggers/leggings
- **No cycling shorts/No 'Nikepro' style shorts**
- Trainers or pumps

\*All earrings must be taken out before the PE day. Children must not wear earrings for PE. If your child cannot remove their earrings, they will take a non-active role in the lesson. If your child wants to get their ears pierced please consider doing this at the start of the summer holidays to avoid them missing out on physical education.

### Art and Design

Class 3 will investigate how drawing can express emotion, movement and depth, inspired by the work of Charlie Mackesy and Elizabeth Catlett. Later on in the term they will investigate the built environment through drawing and printmaking, learning about the work of architect Zaha Hadid.

### French

Nouns and adjectives. Children will Understand how the gender and number of a noun modifies adjectives, explain where to place different types of adjectives in relation to the noun and use familiar language to speak in sentences.

### Humanities

Our humanities focus is Geography in the first half term, looking at the UK's global trade links and discovering where everyday products come from and the journeys they take to get to our homes. In the second half term, our focus will be History where children will study The Anglo-Saxons.

### Computing

Children will continue to develop their understanding of staying safe online. We will focus on how our information could be used online. In addition, they will be introduced to the process of designing and creating interactive quizzes using Purple Mash's 2Quiz tool. Through exploring question types, adding creative features, and debugging, children will develop their technical skills and creativity while producing engaging quizzes for others to enjoy.

### Science

As part of our 'Let's get moving' unit the children will learn about forces and machines. They will start with the force of gravity then study friction forces, including air and water resistance, before investigating how simple machines work. During the second half of the term, children will move to our 'Healthy Bodies' unit. They will build on their knowledge about the main body parts and internal organs. They will explore the circulatory system and look at the impact lifestyle has on bodies.

### R.E

We will be looking at 'Understanding Christianity', examining the importance of Holy Books in Christianity and other faiths. Later on in the term, children will delve deeper into the season of Advent, exploring how Christians prepare for Christmas.

### PSHE

As a school, we will continue to use myHappyMind. Our first module is focused on giving children a foundational knowledge of the brain and teaching them how they can look after their minds to be at their very best. We will then look at the Celebrate module. The Celebrate module is focused on introducing the evidence-based theory that we all have different Character Strengths and that, by understanding what they are and then using them as much as possible, we can be at our best!

### Fantastic Friday

Our Fantastic Friday unit is Design and Technology. The children will investigate different types of bridges and how structural strength is affected by shape and design.

### Home Projects

Our home projects will begin after October half term break. A sticker will be placed inside your child's reading diary with their topic and date they will deliver the home project. Our theme for home projects is Science.

### Class worship

We invite families of our children in class 3 to join us for worship on Monday 28<sup>th</sup> September at 8:45.

Finally, a polite reminder to be prompt when dropping off and collecting pupils. Our school day starts at 8:40am and ends at 3:15pm. If you are unable to collect your child at 3:15pm then you must book them into Kids Club. Please ensure all children are accompanied by an adult at all times and dropped directly at the door where a face-to-face handover to a member of staff can take place (this includes kids club).

If you do have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact me at school. We have an open-door policy at the end of the school day where I am available to talk. Alternatively, email the school office who will forward your query to me.

Many Thanks

Mrs James