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Otters Curriculum Letter
Summer 1 2023

Dear Parents/Carers,

Happy Easter – welcome back to Summer 1. We hope chocolate eggs were consumed by the dozen! This term's curriculum coverage will include science, RE, PSHE, PE, French, music, geography and swimming. In English, we will write a diary entry and a set of instructions using the suspenseful book - The Wolves in the Walls by Neil Gaiman. Our maths curriculum will continue to follow the Can-Do maths programme in line with the National Curriculum and will cover measurement, fractions and time in Year 3 and geometry, decimals and fractions in Year 4.

We will continue to use Purple Mash to support our computing curriculum and consolidate other areas of the curriculum; please continue to explore this excellent resource. Also, please continue to wear sports kits on Tuesdays (running), Wednesdays (PE lesson). On Fridays, children will need to bring in a bag with swimming kit (costume/trunks, towel, optional hat, and long hair tied back). Children must bring in a full water bottle, a healthy snack (optional) and their pencil case if they wish.

Also, help your child prepare for the government's multiplication tables check (Year 4 only), which will be administered in June. Several links to games and simulators help prepare for this on the Otters' Hub. Help support us by reading daily for 30 minutes or more and practise spelling at home – these can be found on the school's website – under our Class Hub. Morning work for Year 4s will be diverted to multiplication practice throughout the term.

CURRICULUM AREA	Spring 1
Value	Justice
Class Novel	'The Wolves in the Walls' by Neil Gaiman
Writing	Fiction: Diary entry Non-fiction: Instruction
Maths	Mastery Maths and the 'Can Do' Curriculum
Science	Animals, including humans – The Circle of Life
Humanities	Geography Focus: Volcanoes and earthquakes
R.E. (Glos)	L2.4. What kind of world did Jesus want?
Music with Mr Price	Learning more about musical styles
Art/D&T with Mrs Barr	Town and Country
PE	Athletics
MFL with Mr Price	In Class
PSHE	Feelings and Emotions
Computing	
Design and Technology	Electrical Systems Simple circuits and switches (including programming and control)
TRIPS/EXPERIENCES	

Thank you for your continued support.
Many thanks
Mr Feldon

