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Dear Parents and Carers,

Summer 1st Half Term Curriculum Letter

Welcome back after the holiday, we hope you had a happy spring break.

We hope your children are looking forward to all the exciting learning that will take place in the summer term.

Key dates:

15th April: World Art day

21st April: Art exhibition

21st April: Cedar Class trip to Stephen House and Gardens

22nd April: Sports Day

22nd April: art exhibition





23rd April: Aspen Class trip to Stephen House and Gardens

23rd April: St George's day - wear red

4th May: Bank holiday Monday

6th May: Aspen class assembly 9:05am

22nd May: End of half term

English 	This half term in English, we are learning to write instructions, write a story with a familiar setting and perform and write a poem with a repeating structure.
Reading 	Our terrific text this half term is The Extraordinary Gardener. We will: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• ask and answer questions about the text• discuss word meanings and link these to known vocabulary• predict what is going to happen.• discuss what we like or dislike about the story.
Mathematics 	We will be learning about: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• counting in 2s, 5s and 10s• making equal groups and sharing• recognising half and quarter of an object, shape or quantity• position and direction
Science 	Our topic will be 'Trees and Plants' We will learn to: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Identify and name common and wild plants• identify evergreen and deciduous trees

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<p>Foundation subjects: Each subject has dedicated time, weekly.</p> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • identify parts of a flowering plant <p>PE: This half-term, our focus for indoor PE will be jumping. During these sessions we will focus on jumping at different speeds, levels and directions. Our focus for outdoor PE will be rackets and balls. We will focus on using a racket to accurately hit the ball.</p> <p>DT: We will be making a fruit salad in our cooking and nutrition unit.</p> <p>RE: Our focus question will be 'What is the goal for which we should strive?' We will be exploring the idea of kindness through different religions.</p> <p>Computing: Our focus will be on using the keyboard correctly and how to navigate the internet safely.</p> <p>PSHE: We will be thinking about how we can repair hurt feelings and what it is like to have big feelings.</p> <p>Music: We will be exploring and changing dynamics.</p>
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Things to remember:

Monday: Aspen class wear PE kit.

Tuesday: Aspen and Cedar wear PE kit.

Wednesday: Cedar to wear PE kit and return the Reading Bear bag.
 Book bags to be brought in everyday.

Homework expectations:

The general homework expectations are:

- to read daily
- to complete homework set on My Maths
- to complete homework set on Spelling Shed
- to recap graphemes and tricky words learnt in phonics each week by referring to the sheet sent home on a Friday

Thank you for your ongoing support.

The Year 1 Team

Mrs Wishart, Mrs Georgiou and Mrs Harryman