

## Curriculum Newsletter

## Merridale Primary School

Year Nursery

Summer 2022

To help you support your child with their learning, each year group will produce a curriculum newsletter at the start of each term. This will advise you what your child will be learning about in class in each area of the curriculum. Should you have any questions, or would like some ideas as to how best to support your child, please speak to their class teacher.

Curriculum Area	Focus
Personal, Social and Emotional Development	The children will continue to find solutions to conflicts in nursery. The pupils will play with one or more children, extending and elaborating play ideas. The children will talk about their feelings using words like 'happy', 'sad', 'angry' or 'worried'. The pupils will continue to understand how others might be feeling.
Communication and Language	The pupils will listen to stories. The children will use new vocabulary. The pupils will learn and sing songs. The children will continue to learn rhymes. The pupils will continue to talk about familiar books. The children will continue to express points of view and debate when they disagree. The pupils will start a conversation with an adult or a friend and continue it.
Physical Development	The children will continue to take part in group activities. The pupils will start to use and remember sequences of patterns of movements which relate to music. The pupils will begin to use a comfortable grip and show good control while holding a pencil. The children will continue to be independent as they get dressed and put their coats on. The pupils will strengthen the muscles in their fingers by participating in Dough Disco.
Literacy	The children will learn that print has meaning. The pupils will learn that English text reads from left to right and top to bottom. The children will continue to name the parts of a book. The pupils will continue to extend conversations about stories and learn new vocabulary. The children will begin to write some or all of their name. The pupils will use their bodies to move and make marks during Squiggle Whilst You Wiggle.
Mathematics	The children will compare quantities using language: 'more than', 'fewer than'. The pupils will experiment with their own symbols and marks as well as numerals. The children will begin to solve real world mathematical problems with numbers up to five. The pupils will begin to make comparisons relating to size, length, weight and capacity. The children will continue to talk about 2D and 3D shapes. The pupils will continue to talk about the position of objects.
Understanding the World	The children will continue to understand the need to respect and care for the natural environment. The pupils will talk about the differences between materials and changes they notice. The children will continue to develop positive attitudes about the differences between people.
Expressive Arts and Design	The children will begin to draw to represent ideas like movement or loud noises. The pupils will show different emotions in their drawings and paintings, like happiness, sadness, fear etc. The children play instruments with increasing control to express their feelings and ideas.

Monday 25th April: School re-opens for Summer term.

WB 25th April: Road safety focus week.

Monday 2nd May: Bank Holiday—school closed.

Friday 6th May: Eid Celebration Day in school—children are invited to wear celebration clothes for this if they wish.

Friday 6th May 3.10-3.30pm: School Library open session after school.

WB 9th May: Summer term after school clubs start Monday 9th May.

Wednesday 25th May: School Photographs.

Friday 27th May: Jubilee Celebration Day - children invited to wear red, white and blue.

Monday 30th May—Friday 3rd June: Half term.

School closed Monday 6th June—INSET Day—school closed to pupils.

Wednesday 8th June: Farm on Wheels visit for Nursery, Reception, Year 1 and 2.

Friday 10th June: Food Bank Friday collection.

Wednesday 6th July: Nursery trip.

Friday 8th July : Sports Day for Nursery. Morning 9.30-10.30 a.m. Afternoon 1.45-2.45 p.m.

WB Monday 11th July: No after school clubs or tuition for the rest of term.

Friday 15th July: Nursery closes.

Monday 5th September: INSET Day—school closed to pupils Tuesday 6th September: INSET Day—school closed to pupils.

## Suggested activities for support:

- Visit your local library and select a range of stories and poetry to read together and independently. Older children could read to a younger family member.
- Pose and discuss real-life problems e.g. shopping, ingredients for cooking.
- Using the internet at home to find information.

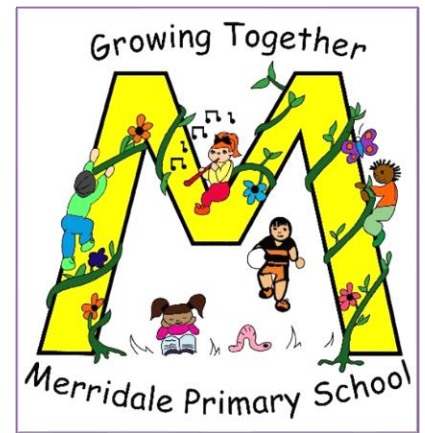
## PE:

Nursery pupils have PE once a week but we encourage pupils to keep their kit at school throughout the week and take it home at weekends to be washed. Children need to ensure that long hair is tied back and all jewellery (e.g. stud earring, watches or bangles) are removed or covered for PE lessons for safety. If your child needs to cover any items, please send a sweat band or plasters into school for this.

## Handy hints for Study:

1. Try to choose somewhere quiet to work and also a time when your child is not too tired.
2. It's better to have lots of short sessions rather than one long one.
3. Vary the activities including writing, artwork, discussion and reading.
4. Give lots of praise and encouragement.
5. Try to make the sessions fun.

We hope this will be useful to you in supporting your child and finding out more about what they are doing at school over the summer term. If you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact the school.



## Homework:

- Look at a book for at least 10 minutes a day, five days per week.