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| **Kingfisher Newsletter Summer Term 2022** |

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| **Learning in Kingfisher Class** |

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| **Maths**This term the children will continue with addition, subtraction, multiplication and division, as well as learning different units of measurement such as time, money, length, mass and capacity. In Year 1 the children will become very confident using numbers up to 20 and familiar with numbers to 100 and in Year 2 they will be working with 2 digit numbers. They will be learning in very practical ways using a wide range of resources to help them to make sense of their maths learning. |

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| **English**This term in Kingfisher class we will be focusing on how we can develop a sense of character in our writing. We will be looking at using adjectives and expanded noun phases to create a picture in the readers head of our character. Our talk for writing will be based on the warning tale [Kassim and the Hungry Dragon](file:///%5C%5CStaff%5CSharePoint%5CTeaching%20and%20Learning%5Ccurriculum%202014%5CEnglish%5CTfW%202021%5CY1_2%5CKassim%20and%20the%20Greedy%20Dragon.doc). Throughout the rest of the term we will be focussing non-fiction writing based around Dragons.  |

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| **Art & DT** The children will look at patterns and printing in Art, exploring a variety of textures and describing how they look and feel. The artist we will learning about is Gustav Klimt. Our Arts week is the week beginning the 23rd May.**Music**The children will continue to develop their singing voices as well as learn rhythmic patterns and sequences using untuned percussion instruments. The composer the children will learn about is Ravi Shankar. |

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| **Science**Our Science topic this term is all about plants and we will make the most of our wonderful outdoor space. The children will need to:* Identify and name a variety of common plants, including garden plants, wild plants and trees, and those classified as deciduous and evergreen
* Identify and describe the basic structure of a variety of common plants including roots, stem/trunk, leaves and flowers.
* Observe and describe how seeds and bulbs grow into mature plants
* Find out and describe how plants need water, light and a suitable temperature to grow and stay healthy.

**Year 1 Forest School**Every fortnight the children in Year 1 will have a session with Justine Goodwin our Forest School teacher, using the school grounds to support their learning. |

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| **Computing**Kingfisher class will have the opportunity to use the Beebots this term and start to develop an understanding of algorithms. We will be looking at programming the Beebots to make a specific journey and we will start to write our own algorithms. The class will also have an opportunity to use the i-pads to create their own stop motion video.  |

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| **PE**Children will continue to have two PE lessons a week one with Mrs Rose and one with Mrs Casalis. The first part of the term they will focus on striking and fielding activities alongside athletics. We hope to also include swimming in the curriculum as soon as the pool is open. The children have also had the opportunity to work with a dance specialist from Razzmatazz this term. |

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| **Topic**This term children will be focusing on Geography in their topic time they will be focusing on the question ‘ What lives around the River Parrett?’ They will then look in greater depth at geographical similarities and differences through studying small areas of the United Kingdom. Children will continue to develop their ability to locate the worlds seven continents and five oceans alongside this.  |

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| **RE**Our RE topic this term is about Christianity with the theme – What do Christians believe about love? We will be focussing on stories such as The Good Samaritan and the hidden message of kindness to others. |

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| **Staffing**Kingfisher class teachers are Mrs Casalis on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday morning and Mrs Brading on Wednesday afternoon, Thursday and Friday. We are very pleased to have Mrs Hazzard as our LSA every morning, Mrs Sambell in the morning from Mon to Thurs and Mrs. Epps in the afternoon. We are also very lucky that Ms Pain will be remaining in Kingfisher class until the end of June.  |

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| **Homework** Please read with your child at least four times a week as this will help their progress. Thank you.Year 1 and 2: Reading response activities and speed words to practise for some Year 1 children.Spellings: Year 2 Test every Friday and reading response activities. |