

## September 2020

Our vision: 'Life in All its Fullness' (John 10.10) and our Christian Values are the foundations to affect change from within the heart of the community.

Children are encouraged to develop strong aspirations educationally, socially, morally and spiritually with a desire to make a positive difference in the world.

# **Our Values**







Help us to do all the good we can, In all the ways we can, In all the places we can, To all the people we can, As long as ever we can. Amen



Our Big Questions: How do our bodies work? How do we keep our bodies healthy?



During this journey we will learn:

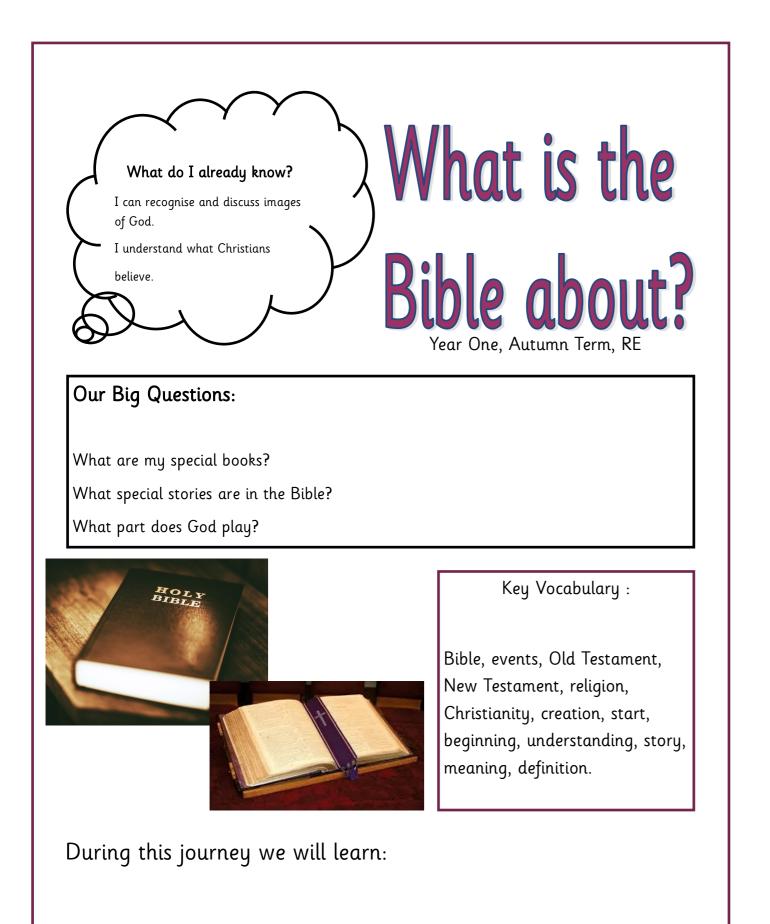
- \* To name the different parts of the body.
- \* To discuss why the skeleton is important.
- \* To recognise and name the five senses.
- \* To sort different foods.
- \* To recognise healthy and unhealthy foods.



Science

Key Vocabulary : Head, body, eyes, ears, mouth, teeth, leg, touch, see, smell, taste, hear, fingers, skin, eyes, nose, ear, tonque, senses, features.





- \* To talk about why the Bible is special.
- \* To recognise and discuss events from the Bible.

# **Returning to School**

We understand that sending your children back into school can generate some anxieties. We want to reassure you that, as always, we will do our best to look after your children.

We have been very busy working to make school a safer place for the children and have used the government guidance in the preparations we have made to fully open school to all children.

We have provided some key information for you in this booklet so that both you and your child can be ready to return to school this September.

If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact us. We are looking forward to seeing you soon.



## Start and End of day

To help reduce the number of people on the playground, we are staggering the beginning and end of day for different year groups.

	Arrival time	Collection time
Nursery and Reception	9:00-9:15	3:00-3:15
Year One and Year Two	8:45-9:00	3:10-3:20

Only one parent/ carer per child will be allowed onto the school premises.

Please observe the 2 metre social distance rules at all times.

Reception, Year One and Year Two children will enter school via the main gate (closest to Balaam Wood School).

You will wait in a line outside the gate, just like at the supermarkets, using the floor markers as a social-distancing guide.

We are operating a **one-way system**, so please make your way across the playground, leaving through the gate near the Children's Centre.

At the end of the day, children can be collected from their classroom. Please stand well clear of the exit doors and wait for your child to come out to you.

Children are expected to arrive and be collected during their designated time slot.

If children arrive, or are collected late, parents must report to the school office.



Our Big Questions: What are we like? What does the Bible say God is like?



During this journey we will learn:

- \* That people sometimes use pictures to convey meaning.
- \* That there are many different images of God contained within the Bible.
- \* That these images help to answer the question 'What is God like?'
- That Christian beliefs about God are connected with these images.
- That Christians believe that God loves them, and all people.
- \* To express our own thoughts and ideas about what God might be like.



Key Vocabulary :		
image		
Bible		
God		
Creator/ created		
King / Kingdom		
provider		

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HEARTSMART

Year One, Autumn Term PSHE

Key Vocabulary :

HEARTSMART, love,

help, sources, power,

emotions, happy, sad,

angry, jealous, upset,

grateful, mind, healthy.

kindness, choices, hurt,

#### Our Big Questions:

How can we show love to others? How can we reflect on the choices we have made?



During this journey we will learn:

\* To know that the choices we make can help or hurt others.

- \* To identify sources of power.
- \* To begin to understand our emotions.
- \* To know that whatever we put into our hearts is what comes out.
- \* To think of reasons why we are grateful for other people.
- \* To make choices that keep our minds and bodies healthy.

## Contact with Staff

To keep everybody safe, it will not be possible to talk at length to your child's teacher on the door at the start or end of each day.

If you need to speak to an adult in school, please do so via telephone: 0121 675 8700 or you can email your child's class teacher directly. Mrs Thurman, Maple Class: maple@hollyhill.bham.sch.uk Miss Parsonage, Fir Class: fir@hollyhill.bham.sch.uk

If you need to speak to the office staff, we will operate a one-in-one-out system in the office reception area at the front of school. Please observe social distancing whilst waiting and gel your hands before entering.

In line with government guidance and to help aid social distancing:

Children will be kept in a class 'bubble' wherever possible throughout the day. This may extend to a year group bubble at certain times, for example, sharing toilet facilities and the playground at lunchtime.

The children will use their own stationery (provided by school) throughout the day. When not in use, these items will be kept in the child's own drawer.

Other resources, such as building blocks, will be cleaned regularly and not shared with children in other bubbles.

Children will only need to bring a coat, book bag and PE kit in to school. All toys, etc should be left at home.



## 'Bubbles'

## Washing Hands

Hand sanitizers will be available in every classroom and in key locations around the school.

Staff and children will wash their hands upon entry to and exit from the school.

Children will also have access to warm water and soap to wash their hands regularly during the day, particularly before and after playtimes and lunchtimes.

It would be helpful if you could check and ensure that your child knows how to wash their hands effectively.



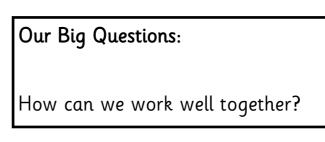
### The 6 Steps of Hand Washing

All toilets and other areas that are used are regularly cleaned during the day.

Once children and staff have left for the day, a team of cleaners will ensure that all areas that have been used are thoroughly cleaned.









During this journey we will learn:

- \* To follow simple instructions.
- \* To listen carefully to my friends.
- \* To move freely into different spaces.
- \* To control my body to move and stop quickly.
- \* To listen to others carefully.

### Key Vocabulary :

Place, stretch, push, pull, hop, skip, step, spring, crawl, still, slowly, tall, long, wide, narrow, up, down, forwards, high, low, elbows, bottom, back, around, through, extension, roll, copy, pathway, along, jump.





Our School

Year One, Autumn Term Music

Key Vocabulary :

Chant, song, tempo, dynamics, structure, experiment, voice,

collectively, evaluate, adjust, share, thoughts, ideas, change,

alter, different, collective.

expressively, perform,

Our Big Questions:

How can I make music to perform to an audience?



During this journey we will learn:

To share my own thoughts about pieces of music.

- \* To explore and perform different song/chants\*
- \* To use rhyming words within a chant/song\*
- \* To recognise what I like and don't like about a song/chant.
- \* To perform in front of audience\*

\*Adaptations will be made as necessary following the current government COVID-19 guidelines about singing at the time of teaching

## First Aid and Intimate Care

First aiders, if required, will treat injuries wearing appropriate PPE.

Staff members, who support children requiring intimate care (i.e. children who soil themselves), will wear PPE when carrying out this duty.

If a child becomes unwell in school and shows any symptoms of COVID 19 they will be wait in the isolation room until their parent or carer arrives to take them home.

Therefore, it is really important that we have up to date contact numbers for parents so that we can contact you if your child is taken ill.

The child will only be allowed back into school once they have been tested for COVID 19 and has completed the necessary isolation period.

The same will apply to any staff member developing symptoms.

If your child is sent home, you will be given further guidance on how to access testing, etc, when you collect them.

If school becomes aware that someone who has attended school has tested positive, we will contact the local Health Protection Team and will follow the advice given by them.





# Uniform

On returning to school, **all** children will be expected to wear **full** uniform. Our school uniform consists of:



PURPLE: purple and white check dresses, polo shirts, sweatshirts/sweat cardigans with official logo

WHITE: shirts, blouses, polo shirts, socks, tights GREY: skirts, pinafore dresses, trousers, shorts, socks, tights BLACK: shoes

Children need to wear the appropriate clothing for PE. This is: A plain white T-shirt Plain black shorts (not Bermuda shorts) Black pumps/ trainers

You may also send joggers and a sweatshirt for outdoor PE when the weather gets cooler.

Could you please also ensure that <u>all</u> uniform (including coats and P.E. kits) are labelled (as there are 232 children in school with the same clothes) This makes it a lot easier for us to return them to you if they go astray.

Sweatshirts and Cardigans with the school logo, can be purchased from Colliers or Kids Essentials in Northfield.

Colliers' School Uniforms No 1 Chatham Road Northfield Birmingham B31 2PH

Kids Essentials 762 Bristol Road South Northfield Birmingham B31 2NN

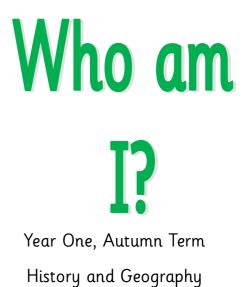


Our Big Questions: How do people 'make' history? Where do we live?



During this journey we will learn:

- \* To talk about myself.
- \* To recognise and name where I live.
- \* To share facts about the Queen.
- \* To locate where the Queen lives.
- \* To compare two places.
- \* To find out new information.



#### Key Vocabulary :

Queen, royal, palace, important, history, UK, locate, identify, England, Northern Ireland, Scotland, Wales, significant, role, Tom Moore, charity, support, aid, kindness, generosity.



Healthy Eating

Year One, Autumn Term DT

### Our Big Questions:

How can I eat healthily?



During this journey we will learn:

Key Vocabulary :

Fruit, taste, sweet, sour, function, product, develop, evaluate, make, cut, slice, pattern, design, ingredient, healthy, unhealthy, hygiene.

#### To talk about foods that I like and don't like. \*

- \* To recognise and sort healthy and unhealthy foods.
- To design a purposeful product.
- \* To select specific ingredients.
- \* To discuss my product and evaluate the outcome.

## Reading

Reading is at the heart of everything we do here at Holly Hill and we want to help create a world where everyone is reading their way to a better life.

Research shows that reading for pleasure can:

- promote better health and wellbeing,
- helps build social connections and relationships with others
- helps children access other areas in their learning
- creates more possibilities for future lives and achievements.

Reading every day has a huge impact on your child's ability to read well. Please ensure that you spend a few minutes each day listening to your child and helping them to read.



All children should have a book bag. Please make sure that your child's book bag is in school everyday.

Sending home regular letters is one of the many ways we communicate with you, so please make sure you check it daily.





# Life in Year One...

### The Year One Team

Mrs Jones—Key Stage 1 Leader

Mrs Thurman—Maple Class Teacher

Mrs Blaber—Maple Class Teaching Assistant

Miss McCabe—Maple Class Teaching Assistant

Miss Parsonage—Fir Class Teacher

Miss Friar—Fir Class Teaching Assistant



Tuesday—Maple Class

Thursday—Fir Class

Please ensure that children have their full PE kit in school. As the weather gets cooler, you may want to send joggers and a sweatshirt for your child to wear during outdoor PE lessons.

### Homework

In addition to **daily** reading, your child will be given a set of spellings words to learn each week. These will be tested in class.

## After School Clubs

To support keeping groups separate, we will only be offering clubs to Year 2 children in the first term.

We do intend to offer After School Clubs to Year One children later in the year and will provide more information about joining nearer the time.



Our Big Questions:

How can we create our own programs?



During this journey we will learn:

- \* To create step by step instructions using pictures.
- \* To build detailed instructions.
- \* To check my work.
- \* To program a toy.
- \* To debug a bee-bot.
- \* To plan and check an algorithm.



Year One, Autumn Term Computing

Key Vocabulary : Algorithm (program), instructions, clear, precise, follow, first, next, finally, order, program, create, debug, change, alter, adapt.







Year One, Autumn Term

Art

Our Big Questions:

How are people represented in Art?



During this journey we will learn:

- To share my own thoughts about different pieces of art.
- \* To explore how art displays feelings.
- \* To use different lines to create an image.
- To create a self-portrait using different techniques.

Key Vocabulary : Thick, thin, soft, broad, narrow, fine, pattern, line, shape, detail, colour, hard, size, brush, bold, vibrant, abstract, form.



## Learning in Year One Our Curriculum

In English the children will be focusing on writing words, captions and simple descriptions about themselves. They will also be describing signs of autumn and enjoying reading and retelling a variety of traditional tales.

In Phonics the children will consolidating Reception learning, for example, recognising sounds such as *ch, sh, th* and *ng;* reading and writing words containing these.

In Maths the children will be working on counting numbers up to 100. They will be writing numbers from 1 to 20 using numerals and words. They will also explore different ways of representing numbers using practical equipment and number lines. Number bonds to up to and including 10 will be taught and children will be able to say one more and one less than a given number. The children will also be learning the following subjects in our 'Who am I?' topic: Art, Computing, Design Technology, Geography, History, Music, PE, PSHE, RE and Science. Please see the Knowledge Organisers that follow which include the 'Big Questions' the children will be a great help to your child's learning and understanding if you can discuss and use some of these words at home, too.

Holly Hill's Christian values will continue to be at the heart of everything we do. This half term the children will be learning about kindness, tolerance, love, hope, patience, respect, and forgiveness.