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Autumn 1



Hello and welcome back to school! We hope you've had a wonderful summer holiday, full of fun and relaxation. Now that the new school year has begun, we're excited to get started with you. There have been some changes to the class lists to better cater to the needs of the children, but each class has a range of exciting activities planned, focusing on team building and resilience, to help everyone settle into their new class.

English

In English, we will start with a unit titled "The Holiday Island," where the children will use various skills and creative thinking to work together and design their perfect holiday island. Following that, we'll dive into the book *Skellig*, an emotional story that explores powerful themes such as nurturing, the importance of friendship, trust, and love.

Science

This term's topic is Breathing and Respiration, where we will delve into both the plant and animal kingdoms, covering subjects such as photosynthesis, leaf structure, aerobic and anaerobic respiration, gas exchange in the lungs, lung volumes, and the adaptations of the lungs.

Personal Development Programme

We are introducing our very own Personal Development programme at Park Aspire. This programme will structure and reward the different activities children do in and out of school. Most notably, we will provide opportunities for children to develop their personal, social and work-related skills and then children can earn various badges and certificates based on their achievements. Specifically, the Personal Development Programme will enable children to: recognise their own personal qualities and abilities; choose some topics they would like to learn about; explore new activities and become more confident in trying new things.

How you could support your child:

- Show an interest in what your child is learning about;
- Ensure they come to school in the right uniform with the right equipment;
- Keep in contact with school regarding any relevant issues






Maths

In Maths, we will continue following the White Rose scheme, in line with the national curriculum. We recognise that one of our main goals as a school is to prepare children for a smooth transition back into a mainstream setting. Therefore, we uphold high standards for our pupils, striving to teach as close to age-related expectations as possible, prioritising depth over breadth. This term, we will cover topics including Ratio & Scale, Multiplicative Change, Multiplying and Dividing Fractions, and Coordinates.

PSHE

This year, PSHE and Personal Development will continue to be an integral part of our curriculum at Park Aspire. 'Health and Well-Being' will be the focus for this term, where we will look at a variety of ideas. A lot of the work undertaken will be discussion led, whereby we will look at different potential scenarios based on that day's learning objective. Some of the topics will contain mature themes so we will always seek to promote an open-minded and respectful approach. Our main focus will be 'Behaviour and Achievement'.

Extra-Curricular Opportunities

-  Fishing
-  Building Futures – Plumbing and electric development
-  Doe Park
-  Changing Lives Through Horses – Horse riding and equine management
-  Hair & Beauty