



**Coombe Road Primary School
Curriculum Newsletter
Green/Yellow September 2011**

Welcome back to the new school term. We are publishing this newsletter to give general information about school routines and to give details of what will be happening in your child's class this term.

This term our topic will be '**Me Me Me**' and '**Superheroes**'. We aim to make links across all areas of learning.

In Numeracy we will be covering:

- Block A: Counting, partitioning and calculating
- Block B: Securing number facts, understanding shape
- Block C: Handling data and measures
- Block D: Calculating, measuring and understanding shape
- Block E: Securing number facts, relationships and calculating

In Literacy we will be focusing on stories, captions, recounts, poetry and continuing to build on phonic knowledge.

Our Science topics this half term will be **Ourselves**. We will be learning about the senses, naming parts of the body and growth. After half term we will be studying **Materials**, where we will be investigating and testing materials to find out what is best for making our own superhero costume!

In geography this term we will be looking at our school and local environment and the jobs that people play in this. Children will be involved in orienteering activities and simple map work.

In Art we will be looking at and creating self portraits using a variety of media.

In P.E children will be using their bodies to move games equipment in different ways, creating their own dances and travelling in different ways across the gymnastic apparatus.

In Religious Education children will be thinking about which groups they belong to and what it means to belong to Christianity. They will then be looking closely at the Christmas story.

In ICT the children will be learning different ways to create scenes and pictures using a variety of computer programmes and learning how to label and sort objects on a computer.

General School Information

Jewellery

- Jewellery is not permitted apart from watches and small earstuds.

P.E Kit

- In P.E. children must wear navy or white t-shirts and shorts
- Pupils who do not bring appropriate P.E. kit must use the spare kit allocated to each key stage
- Footwear needs to be appropriate for P.E

Uniform

- Our school colours are navy and white
- Children wear white polo shirts with navy round or v-necked sweatshirts or fleeces
- Children may wear plain navy, grey or black knee-length skirts, trousers or jogging bottoms without logos
- Flip-flops, high heels or any other inappropriate footwear must not be worn. Sensible shoes or trainers only.

Book bags

- Pupils must have their book bags in school every day
- Home school reading books will be signed by the class teacher at least twice each week
- Parents are asked to sign the home school reading book at least twice a week

Homework

- Please read with your child every night for 5-10 minutes and record this by signing the home school reading diary.
- Children will be given simple spellings to practice at home every Friday. This will be tested in class on Thursdays.