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SIR JAMES SMITH'S  
COMMUNITY SCHOOL

Dear Parents/Carers

Each year our staff adapt and update our delivery of the curriculum to ensure we offer the very best experience to our students. In previous years we have printed a Curriculum Handbook; however, with an increased eye on our environmental impact we are providing a digital version for 2020. Over recent weeks, teachers have been collating information about every subject so that we can best inform you, and most importantly, your child about the following:



1. An overview of what topics/themes will be studied through the year;
2. A detailed overview of each unit – we call these Knowledge Organisers;
3. Success Criteria for every unit studied in each subject, what do you have to do to do well?
4. The rationale behind each subject, why are we covering this in the curriculum?



The handbook can be accessed by clicking on this link – <https://sway.office.com/H4x5FVXrEifJaeK?ref=Link>. It is also available on our Website and Facebook page. All children have been introduced to the handbook during their assemblies and tutorials this week, but this was very brief. We would love it if all the children could download the 'Outlook' app onto their mobile device (if they have one), where they will be able to log into their school email account. Here, they will be able to click on the link they received in an email from myself. They will then have access to the overview, Knowledge Organisers and Success Criteria in each of their lessons and at home.

We hope you find the information provided useful and look forward to working with you in supporting your child make the very best progress whilst at Sir Jim's.

Yours faithfully

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