



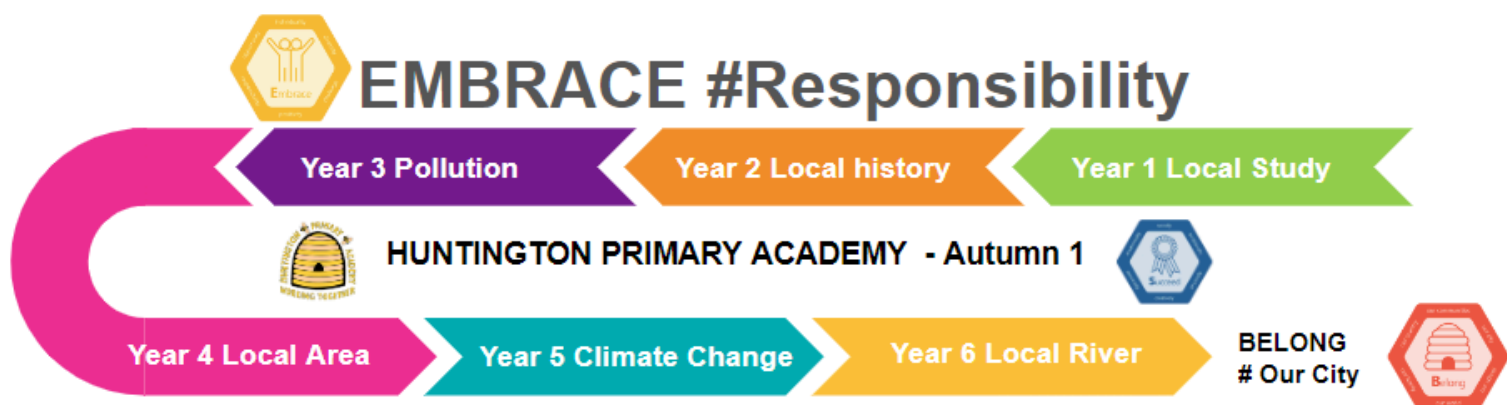
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Curriculum Update

During the first week of school, the children in Year 1 to 6 have been focusing on Personal, Social and Emotional aspects of coming back to school and a new start in a new classroom. Next week they will be beginning a mini topic (four weeks) for the start of term, driven by our value - to embrace responsibility. Below you will see the journey of the topics that link between year groups. You will also receive via email the parent guide for your child's year group which gives you more detail about the subjects and content within the main theme. We are currently developing our website to further explain our curriculum vision.



Shared Experience: School litter picking

During this term the whole school will be taking part in a litter pick, in and around the school community. We will be encouraging the children to take part in this challenge and embrace the responsibility for the community they belong to.

Celebration Assembly

A reminder that each week we have a celebration assembly, where a child in each class will receive a recognition award for excellent work, amazing effort, for following our school rules or embracing and demonstrating our school values. During this assembly, we love to share the children's achievements from outside of school. Please send a photograph of your child and their achievement to parents@hpa.pmat.academy. This could be certificates for swimming, ballet or music or a photo to show they have completed a biking or walking challenge or anything the children are proud of that they want us to celebrate with them.

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CLASSROOM DROP IN

On **Wednesday 11th September** we will be holding an open classroom session after school. This is a very informal opportunity for you to pop into the classroom with your child to see their new classroom and teacher. The outer classroom doors and the playground gates will be open between **3.10 and 3.30** for you to enter the classrooms. If you have children in different year groups please use the outer doors to cross the playground. Staff will be on hand to direct you. You will notice some new signage in the school which should help you find the correct classroom. Don't worry if you can't make it on this occasion, there will be a number of opportunities across the year to visit the classroom.

Environment Improvement Update

Last year Mrs Jackson was successful in achieving a grant from Nickelodeon for the development of outdoor learning spaces and environmental curriculum. We chose to spend the money on developing part of our wildlife area to include raised beds. We were absolutely delighted that when we reached out to our school community Mr Cliff came forward to help with the project. He then not only planned out the design and scheme with input from Mrs Wrenn and Mrs Jackson, but then led the build and completed it in one day. We can not thank him enough for the time and skill he has put into this. Here are some photos from the day!



There are seven planters - one for each year group and we can't wait to use these in our curriculum as we learn about the environment, plants and growing.