

Year 1  
Curriculum Newsletter  
Spring 2 2022

**In English,**

In English, we will be kicking off the half term with adventure stories! We will be having a look at the story of Supertato, creating our own superhero characters and writing our very own superhero adventure stories.

In our Spelling, Punctuation and Grammar sessions, we will focus on full stops, capital letters and finger spaces. We will be working hard to include these in our writing throughout the half term and beyond.

**In R.E, children will be exploring the question, 'Why does Easter matter to Christians?'**

We will be exploring the Easter story and thinking about what it means for Christians and what it means for us. We will then be learning about how Christians celebrate Easter in church.

On Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup> March, we will be taking part in a cross-curricular RE and DT day! We will get to research, design, make and evaluate our own Hot Cross Bun recipes. We can't wait to see what the children come up with (and the tasting!)

We will be reading:

Supertato!



**P.E:**

In indoor P.E. this half term we will be completing a unit called 'Jumping Jacks' in which we will be practising our gymnastic skills of balancing, jumping and moving.

In outdoor P.E. with Mr Rogers, we will be learning some new ball skills such as moving with a ball and controlling the ball. We will then be able to put our skills to practise in some basketball games.

**History: Discovering history**

We are learning what "History" is all about! First, we will find out what a historian is and how they find out about the past. Then we will study the family tree of the Royal Family and think about how family trees represent our own history. We will use a range of historical sources to learn about the life of Mary Seacole and evaluate which sources were the most useful. Finally, we will have the opportunity to look at artefacts to learn about the past and make a comparison with the present.

**Science: Animals and their Needs**

We are learning about animals! First we will group animals into fish, amphibians, mammals, birds and reptiles. Then we will sort animals according to their diet, using the vocabulary of carnivore, herbivore and omnivore. We will think about how animals can be pets and explore different habitats.

**Art: Line**

In Art, we will learn about 'line'. We will explore different lines and study the art of Miro and Klee. We will look closely at Klee's landscape drawing *Rock Temple (1925)* before we create our own imaginary landscape in the same style.

In PSHCE we will be undertaking a Sex and Relationship unit of work. Please see email sent on the 9<sup>th</sup> February for more information.

**Maths**

In maths, we will be revising and building on our knowledge of addition and subtraction. We will be developing our reasoning and problem solving skills within this unit.

Then we will be getting our rulers out to learn about length and height before ending the term looking at weight and volume. We can't wait to enjoy some practical activities to explore these topics – hopefully the weather allows us to go outside too!



**Reminders**

All children need to have their reading book and planner in school every day. Children are expected to read at home a minimum of 5 times a week. This should be recorded in their planners and will be checked by teachers weekly on Monday mornings.

PE kits need to be in school throughout the week. Our outdoor PE lessons are on Tuesday and indoor PE lessons are on Fridays. Please remember to name all of your child's PE kit.

**Home Learning**

The Pick and Mix style home learning will be stuck in our home learning books. These books will be sent out every Friday and will be due in each Thursday. Spellings will also be listed in the home learning book, with our spelling tests taking place on a Friday. We will also post the home learning document on Teams so you always have access to the spelling list.

**Dates for your diary:**

Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> March – World Book Day

Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> and Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> March – Parents' Evening (more details to follow)

Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup> March – RE/DT Day

