

Year 2

## Autumn 1 Curriculum Map



This half term our theme is:  
'Bright Lights, Big City!'



### Year 2 Key Information

School planners should be in school **every day**. They are a key part of our communication with you so please check them regularly.

**Home learning** will be uploaded onto Teams each **Friday** to be completed by the following Thursday.

Our **P.E.** days are **Tuesdays and Fridays**. Please ensure your child has the correct PE kit in school on those days. **Tuesday** PE will usually be outside (weather permitting).

Mrs Green will be teaching **Alder** class on Mondays, Tuesdays and Wednesdays with some overlap with Mrs Haigh teaching on Wednesdays, Thursdays and Friday.

Mrs Housden will be teaching **Silver Birch** class on Tuesdays.

In **Geography**, we will learn about the countries that make up the United Kingdom, including their location, capital cities and some of their physical and human features. We will venture outside the school grounds, spotting physical and human features in our local area. We will have the opportunity to do map work, using compasses and positional and directional language to plan routes around London.

In our **History** lessons we will be learning about 'The Great Fire of London'. We will investigate the cause of the fire, the impact that it had on our capital city, and how it is commemorated today.

In our **Art** sessions we will be looking and expressing opinions about photos of London found in the online gallery 'In The City' by London Fine Art Photography. We will draw inspiration from these and take photos in the style we have seen.

In our **Design Technology** sessions we will be planning and building our own structure that is strong enough to hold a toy car (hopefully!).

In **PE** Mr Rodgers will be leading outside athletics sessions on a Tuesday and our Friday indoor PE will be dance linked to the theme of weather.

### Welcome to Year 2

It has been wonderful welcoming you back into school. The children have all settled in well and are becoming used to new routines and procedures.

We hope you are all feeling rested and ready for an exciting year of learning at The Pathfinder.

We are looking forward to getting to know you all.

Miss Mindham, Mrs. Green and Mrs. Haigh

In **English** we will be reading the stories of Paddington Bear and writing a continuation of 'Paddington at the Zoo'. We will be learning how to write instructions and then follow them to make a Paddington Bear model. Later on in the term, we will be reading and writing poetry as well as looking at playscripts and how to write speech for characters.

In **RE** our first topic will explore 'Our Community' and what it means to belong to a church school. We will also think about how people of faith show they belong to their religion.

Our **PSHCE** sessions will focus on "Beginnings and Belonging". We will start by establishing classroom rules and building positive relationships within the class.

In **Maths**, we will begin by recapping what we know about numbers up to 50, thinking carefully about the place value of each digit. We will identify numbers using different representations and compare numbers up to 100 using  $<$   $>$   $=$  symbols. We will practise counting forwards and backwards in 2s, 5s and 10s and will be using what we know to solve number problems.

We will be challenged by our teachers to explain our understanding to develop our reasoning skills.

### Dates for your diary:

13<sup>th</sup> September – School Photos

20<sup>th</sup>/23<sup>rd</sup> September – KS1 walk around the local area (more information to follow)

21<sup>st</sup> September – KS1 Parent Information Evening

24<sup>th</sup> September – MacMillan Coffee Morning



We will be reading a wide range of Paddington Stories!