

# Year 1 Newsletter Autumn Term 1



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# Wider Curriculum

This term in Year 1, we will be looking at the topic 'Bright Lights, Big City'. Within this topic we will be looking at what London was like in different eras. We will be researching different London landmarks, famous Monarchs and iconic London history — such as 'The Great Fire of London' & 'Guy Fawkes'. We will also be using maps to locate London and creating our own London artwork.

## Maths

In Maths we will be focusing on subitising numbers, improving our number recognition and formation. We will be securing our number bond facts and recalling addition and subtraction questions at speed. We will learn various ways to solve these problems both using manipulatives and without. We will also look at place value, specifically with our larger numbers. We will learn the importance of place value to ensure we do not reverse our digits.

# Computing

We will be making sure we know how to use technology safely. We will be focussing on turning on, navigating and shutting down a computer safely. After this we will move on to typing skills, programming and debugging simple software.

#### Music

Children will learn many new songs to expand their repertoire with performances. Percussion instruments will be used to learn more about pulse and rhythm.

## RE

This term we will be looking at Islam. Focusing on who God is to Muslims.

## Literacy

Throughout Literacy we will ensure that our work is to a high quality using handwriting lines with correct letter formation, and includes capital letters, finger spaces, full stops, adjectives, conjunctions, exclamation marks, question marks and adverbs where possible. As wonderful writers we will be learning to write a journey story and looking at an information text about families.

## <u>PE</u>

This half term, we will be looking at football skills such as attack, defend and shooting. PE will take place on Thursdays and Fridays.

#### Science

In science we will be looking at everyday materials. We will be doing material investigations and grouping them by their properties.

## **PSHE**

In PHSE the children will be looking at relationships, including feelings, emotions, friendships, conflict and resolution.

# **Notes for parents**

Please keep up your hard work with practising spellings, this really supports their phonics along with daily reading. Also, please let us know when you have read with your child by putting a note in their red reading diaries, even if it's just the date and initials!

Please make sure that your child has PE kit for indoors AND outdoors.

All toys should stay at home and not be brought into school, thank you.