

Dear Parents and Carers.

This half term our main topic is '**The Gunpowder Plot.**' Where possible, all of your child's learning will be linked to this theme. This curriculum overview gives an outline of the areas of learning we intend to cover in Autumn Term 2. A copy of this document can also be found on our website. PE lessons continue to take place on a Wednesdays. Homework will be set every Monday on MS Teams and other websites such as MyMaths or Purple Mash. Thank you.

#### MATHS

This term, the class will be learning a variety of mathematical skills and knowledge.

Fractions— identifying 1/2 and 1/4 ٠

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- Time—telling the time (o'clock, guarter past, . half past and quarter to.) Relationships between units of time for example, how many minutes in an hour.
- Length: Measuring in meters and centimetres .
- Data handling—constructing simple pictograms . and interpreting data.
- Addition and subtraction
- Money— including using combinations of coins. .
- Properties of 2D&3D shapes. .

### **RELIGIOUS EDUCATION**

In RE our unit is called the **Mystery of God.** We will be asking questions about what heaven is like. Learning about the Holy Trinity. Studying the story of the Annunciation. Reflecting on what preparations we can make in Advent. Learning about the Mystery of the Incarnation and the visit of the shepherds and wise men to the stable at Christmas.

We will also be learning about other faiths, particularly JUDAISM.

## COMPUTING

In computing this term, we will be using Purple Mash to construct Spreadsheets. This will be linked to our work in science and maths.

### HISTORY

Our topic this half term is **THE GUNPOWDER PLOT**. We will be learning all about Guy Fawkes and why we have bonfire night. We will be looking at a timeline of events and evaluating evidence from different historical sources.



#### MUSIC

We will begin the half term by learning songs from around the world. We will then be focusing on celebrating Christmas through music. When we are singing, we will be focusing especially on pitch.

## SCIENCE

This half term, we will be learning about living things and their habitat. We learn about what a habitat is and what things live in that habitat and why. During the year, we will also look at how habitats change.

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# PSHE

In PSHE we will be learning about mindful movements tasting and smelling. We will discuss people who help us on a and off line. We will have anti- bullying week and continue to learn about developing a growth mindset. We will also be discussing what we can use our money for and how to make good financial decisions.

Ms Sutherland and Miss Chrzanowska– Class teachers

### WRITING AND READING

We will be reading the book 'A Walk in London'. Work we will be doing includes writing a recount and writing an information text about London landmarks. We will then be reading the book A Tadpoles Promise by Jeanne Willis. We will be writing diaries; letters of advice and writing our own version of the story.

In reading we will look at non-fiction books about Guv Fawkes. We will also read poems from the book Talking Turkeys.



## **ART AND DESIGN**

We will exploring the work of Jackson Pollock and creating our own firework paintings.

We will be exploring colour and tone. The children will be introduced to the colour wheel and will try mixing our own colours and then making them lighter and darker by adding black or white.

## DT

In DT we will be creating structures using a variety of materials. We will design and make our own pop-up Christmas cards and ornaments.

# SPORTS AND PHYSICAL EDUCATION

This term's focus is on net games using our hands including netball and basket ball. We will also be working on our social skills: working together as a team and supporting each other.