



Dear Parents and Carers,

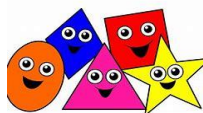
Welcome back to the new school year! We are looking forward to a New Year of learning in Year 1. This half term our main topic is '**Our local area**'. Where possible, all of your child's learning will be linked to this subject. Below is a topic map outlining the areas of learning we intend to cover this term. A copy of this document can also be found on our website. **PE lessons** this year will take place on a **Friday**. Homework will be set every **Monday on MS Teams** and other websites such as **My Maths** or **Purple Mash**. Thank you.

Mrs Russell - Class teacher

## MATHS

In Maths, we will learn about number and place value  
– We will practise reading and writing numbers up to 20 and beyond. Children will sequence and order numbers.

- We will also work on adding and subtracting numbers, focusing on number bonds to 10 and 20.
- We will learn about the properties of 2D shapes, Ordinal numbers, position and direction.



## RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

We have begun the term by learning about our class **Saint** and the school's **mission statement**.

In Religious Education, we will also be learning about **God's great plan**, how we care for the world and the creation story. Later in the term, we will learn about Noah's Ark and the first people.

## COMPUTING

We will be exploring Purple Mash and a unit titled Creative Computing. Throughout the year we will also be learning about online safety.

## HISTORY - GEOGRAPHY

In Geography, we will be exploring **the local area**.

This will include a local area walk in which the children will observe land use.

The children will create a map of the local area. The children will also use atlases to identify the four countries that form the United Kingdom.

## Year One Our Local Area

### Autumn Term 1



## MUSIC

This half term, we will be learning about tone, exploring long and short sounds and learning songs based on Black History Month.

## SCIENCE

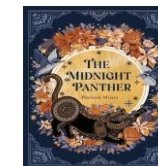
This half term, we will be learning about **seasonal changes**. Children will be learning to:

- Observe changes across the four seasons
- Observe and describe weather associated with the seasons and how the length of the day varies as a result.



## WRITING AND READING

In the first part of this term, we will be reading '**The Midnight Panther**' by Poonam Mistry.

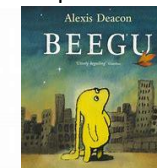


Throughout Autumn Term 1, we will be exploring the following texts:

- '**Beegu**' by Alexis Deacon
- '**Yeti and the Bird**' by Nadia Shireen.
- '**Lost and Found**' by Oliver Jeffers.

Children will work towards:

- Creating posters
- Writing letters of advice
- Writing an alien poem and story



## ART AND DESIGN - Collage

We will begin the half term by looking Vincent VanGogh- Starry, Starry Night- collect, sort and group media in different ways eg colour/texture. Arrange & Glue materials to background. Collage- collect sort/group media in different ways.

## PSHE

In PSHE, we will begin learning about **Growth Mindset** and learn about the brain in MindUp.

## SPORTS AND PHYSICAL EDUCATION

Our focus will be on **Games**. Children will be using their skills of throwing and catching. Children will develop their ability to work in pairs and follow instructions.