

## **DT**

This term the children will be exploring toys of the past and present, looking at the materials they are made from. They will then design, make and evaluate their own toys.

## **Topic - History**

This term the children will learn all about what life was like 'long ago'. We will explore different aspects of life including, school, food, toys and more. We will discuss the differences between life then and now as well as thinking about changes that have happened within our lifetimes.

## **Topic - Geography**

The children will learn about our local Geography, about food and farming.

## **Computing**

We will begin this term focusing on basic computer skills. They will be able to use strategies to stay safe when using ICT and the internet and identify common uses of information technology beyond school.

## **Music**

The children will be exploring tempo and dynamics. The children will learn to repeat short, rhythmic and melodic patterns to a given beat and experiment with using inter-related musical dimensions.

## **PE**

There will be a mixture of activities this term which will allow the children to demonstrate their dance and gymnastic skills, as well as have enrichment opportunities with yoga, curling and more.

## **Character Education**

In Character Education lessons this term, children will explore a new Character Education Virtue every week. This is introduced to the whole school on Monday in Collective Worship, which children then research and investigate in class.

**Dear Parents**, this brief overview is to let you know what your child will be covering in the Spring Term. Remember you can help at home by practising daily for a few minutes: reading, phonics, number bonds, writing, spellings and tables. PE Kit needs to be in school every day please with water bottles and book bags – please make sure these are all name labelled. The spellings will continue to be on Spelling Frame and will be tested every Friday. Homework will also continue to be on Study Ladder each Friday, please can this be completed by the following Wednesday. Many thanks, **Miss Ody, Mrs Hunter & Mrs Atkins**

# Key Stage One – Spring Term 2022



## Long Ago

**Welcome back to a new school term! I hope you all had a happy and wonderful Christmas! We have a very exciting term ahead!**

## **English**

### **Fiction**

The children will continue to learn in a talk for writing style, beginning with a focus on character descriptions using Farmer Duck as our stimulus. We will also explore a range of poetry and perform a chosen poem to our peers, before looking at a story from another culture - Handa's Surprise.

### **Non-Fiction Books**

The children will have the opportunity to explore a range of non-fiction texts and their features. Following our work on Farmer Duck, the children will focus on writing recounts and learning the key features.

### **Phonics**

Children will learn the terminology for the features they are using and steadily work through several phases to support their reading and writing.

### **Grammar**

The children will be building their confidence in using the correct grammar terminology. Whilst this will be embedded in all our English lessons, we will be enhancing the children's knowledge through the use of 'two-minute teasers' and grammar focused sessions.

## **Science**

Our focus for this first half of the term is 'Materials and their uses!' We will be thinking very carefully about the properties of materials, what they are made of and their uses. We will also think about the impact we have on the environment and everything that lives in it by focusing on recycling materials, energy, and climate change.

The children will also learn about plants and what they need to grow.

## **Maths**

We will begin the term by looking at place value and then addition and subtraction in Year 1 and multiplication and division in Year 2. We will then be looking at shape and measure. The four main operations will be a focus throughout the term in our daily Maths starters, and we will be consolidating our learning at the end of the term with a focus on problem solving and reasoning.

## **RE**

**Judaism** - We will be looking at a range of Jewish stories and thinking about their meaning and why they are important. The children will also learn about some Jewish traditions and occasions and compare these to how we celebrate special events in our lives.

**What do Christians believe God is like?** Children will explore the story of the Lost Son from the bible and will be able to give accounts of what the story means to Christians and identify how Christians show their belief in God.

## **PHSE**

We will continue with using Jigsaw, this term focusing on dreams and goals. The children will explore setting goals and how they can go about achieving them.

**Healthy Me** explores making healthy choices, having a healthy & balanced diet, keeping physically active, keeping themselves and others safe and being a good friend.