

### **MATHS**

This term we will focus again on the use of +, - and = signs. We will revise number facts to 10 and consolidate number bonds to 20 as well as use practical apparatus and number lines to solve calculations. The children will answer one step problems, using addition and subtraction and will learn to identify halves and quarters of objects and shapes. In Mathematics we will also compare and measure length and weight and describe position and direction, including  $\frac{1}{2}$  turns.

### **LITERACY**

In Phonics we will frequently revise the letters and sounds the children have already covered, then progress at each child's own phase level. Weekly spellings will continue to be sent home to learn, introducing new spelling patterns and learning key words. This term our sentence writing will develop through our work on familiar stories, report writing, instructions and poetry. We will be focusing on the use of punctuation, including exclamation marks and question marks.

### **SCIENCE**

In Science this term we will be observing seasonal changes. We will be looking at and comparing the variations in seasons, describing the weather associated with each and how day length changes. The children will learn about the impact the weather has on the environment. We will identify the parts of plants and explore what plants need to grow; namely water, light and warmth.

### **HISTORY**

Our History focus for this term is Florence Nightingale. Through stories, class research and role-play we will be learning about her work and the impact she has made on life today. We will study time lines and make comparisons between life then and now.

During the second part of the term we will find out about historic buildings and monuments across the UK, which will link into our Geography work.

## ***Year 1 Spring Term***

### **ART AND DT**

Linking with our Science work this term we will be using the outside environment to inspire our artwork. We will use natural objects to create pictures, collages and models. The children will practise techniques of pencil sketching to create hard and soft lines and to shade. They will develop observational skills and attention to detail. This term the class will have the opportunity to work with clay and create animal models.

### **GEOGRAPHY**

This term our Geography focus will be on the United Kingdom. We will use atlases to identify the four countries that make up the UK; England, Wales, Scotland and Northern Ireland and their capital cities. The children will learn to use simple compass directions (North, South, East and West) and locational and directional language [including near and far; left and right], to describe the location of features and routes on a map.

### **RE**

This term we will be studying 'Leaders and Teachers' and the figures who have had an influence on others locally, nationally and globally in religion. Our focus for the term will be on Christianity and Judaism.

Throughout the term we will be developing our speaking and listening skills, retelling stories and learning to form and express our personal opinions

### **PE**

Year 2 will continue to swim weekly and develop their swimming technique.

This term we will introduce games, such as hockey and football, and develop our ball skills. We will practise bouncing and catching, throwing under and over arm and our dribbling skills. We will also learn to control hockey sticks and tennis rackets to send and receive a ball. Through these games the children will develop collaborative skills by working in small teams.