

Welcome to the final term of Year One. Please find details below of our topics this term.

## English

The focus in English will be on traditional fairy tales. We will be looking at a variety of well-known stories and learning about their features. The children will also be looking at description within fairy tales, which will help them to write their own alternative versions of the stories. An emphasis on basic grammar and punctuation will be ongoing.

Our phonics work will focus on consolidating decoding and blending skills to supporting reading unfamiliar words, including alien (nonsense) words. Towards the end of the term the children will learn alternative ways to spell different sounds and develop increasingly accurate spelling of high frequency words (see reading diaries for lists of these).

## Maths



This term we will be revisiting place value, partitioning and ordering numbers to 100. The children will continue to practise counting forwards and backwards in 1s and begin to explore the patterns associated with counting in 2s, 5s, and 10s. We will continue to consolidate the children's understanding of addition and subtraction with a focus on mental calculation strategies and using number lines.

We will also be reinforcing what the children have already learnt about 2D and 3D shapes, as well as fractions; using their knowledge to find half of a given amount. Additionally, we will be looking at telling the time (o'clock and half past) and measures including capacity and weight.

## Science

This term our science topic is 'Plants'. We will investigate what plants need to grow and look at the basic structure of flowering plants, learning about the purpose of different parts. The children will also begin to distinguish between wild and garden plants with a focus on naming common examples of both types of plant. The children enjoyed our trip to Squires Garden Centre as an introduction to this topic.



## Music

The focus will be on representing instruments and sounds using pictures. The children will create their own piece of music and attempt to use symbols to explain the instructions.

## Computing and D&T

Computing and D&T will be inspired by our Fairy Tales topic and will enable the to design puppets of fairy tale characters, as well as illustrating a familiar fairy tale story on the computer.



## History/Geography

Our focus will be on the seaside. We will look at human and physical features of a British seaside as well as learning how to stay safe by the sea. We will also explore how summer holidays have changed through time.

## RE

Our first topic will explore what it means to be a Muslim. During this, we will look at Islamic practices as well as stories that teach us about Muslim beliefs. During the second half of the term we will be discussing big questions about our world and looking at the creation story.

## PE

This term the children will be using the indoor apparatus to develop gymnastics skills including balancing and jumping. Outdoor PE will involve develop athletic skills in preparation for sports day.

- \* We would really appreciate any kind donations of class tissue boxes and glue sticks to help us through the summer term. Thank you!
- \* Please continue to regularly practise reading and spellings at home. It really does make a huge difference.