

Year 1 Summer Term 2017

A World of Opportunities

# **English**

This term in English, we will be writing letters inspired by the book 'The Day the Crayons Quit' and we'll also creative travel brochures after reading 'The Day the Crayons came Home'. We will be using Talk for Writing to learn the story of 'Farmer Duck' and 'The Three Little Pigs'. Towards the end of the year, children will be writing their own stories completely independently. To support your child's learning, reading daily should be made a priority as this will improve their vocabulary and enthusiasm for writing! Remember to keep logging onto Nessy (www.nessy.com/uk) as it has a huge impact on children's spellings. Your child's login for Nessy is in their reading diaries.

**Maths** This term in Maths we are continuing to focus on learning how to problem solve so that children become confident at tackling them in an effective way. We will be teaching them to read a problem and to be able to recognise whether they need to subtract or add and how they could draw a picture to help them to solve it. We will begin looking at multiplication as equal groupings so that children understand what multiplication is and means. Children will learn about what doubling and dividing means using lots of physical objects to grasp the concepts with deep understanding.

Later on in the term we will learning about what fractions are, how to tell the time to o'clock and half past, to recognise coins and their value and to be able to compare volume and capacity using language such as 'more than' and 'less than,' 'full' and 'empty'. Finally children will be learning to compare the mass of objects using the words 'heavy' and 'light', 'heavier than' and 'lighter than' and 'as heavy as'. As always the Marvellous Maths you do at home is so beneficial and activities that include counting in 2s, 5s, 10s and forwards and backwards in 1s from any number would really help embed positive Maths skills for your child.

Thank you for your on-going support at home! Please continue to listen to your child read and carry out maths activities with them at least four times per week.



Please find the new Home Learning tasks in your green home learning book. We would like these to be handed in on Wednesdays please.

P.E. will be on Mondays and Wednesdays this term. Please ensure that your child has a named kit in school for these sessions.

#### Music

Pupils will continue their weekly music lessons with Mr Hodson. Later in the year, they will progress on to learning to play the ukulele.

### PSHE and RE

Pupils will have weekly PATHS sessions this term. We will also be learning about Christianity, Judaism and Hinduism over the year.

#### Topic

Year 1 will be designing and building their own vehicles this term! We will be using recycled waste and testing our vehicles once they are complete.

As well as designers, we are also going to be keen Scientists! We hope to increase the children's passion and engagement in Science by including lots of fun, hands on experiments so that they can learn first hand. We will be observing plants as they grow and learning to identify and describe the basic structure of a variety of common flowering plants as well as learning where our food comes from.

## **Trips**

This term Year 1 will be visiting Sheringham Park! We will have a go at creating land art, learn how to pond dip and go hunting for bugs!