

# Year One Newsletter



## **RE:**

The topic is 'Our Local Church - Our Community.' We are looking at how we gather in church and the various roles of the people who help. We are learning about what the priest does during mass and about our local community.

## **Maths:**

This term, we are comparing and ordering numbers to 50 and learning more about place value within 50. We are also adding and subtracting numbers within 20. We are looking at different ways to represent numbers to 50 and are practising our mental maths skills, including our number bonds to 10 and 20. We are also looking at 'Measurement' – length, height, mass and volume.

## **English:**

This term, we are reading Flat Stanley and Goldilocks and the Three Bears, Little Red Riding Hood and 'colours' poetry. We are writing a letter and stories. We are looking at word endings ing, ed, er and using an exclamation mark and question mark. Also, we are practising our reading/phonics skills, in preparation for the phonics screening test. We are writing a story based on the traditional tale, a letter and our own poem.

## **Personal Development & RSE**

We are covering the British Values of – Mutual Respect, Tolerance and Rule of Law and Democracy. We are learning about why it is important to decide democratically, what are our rules and laws and discussing how it is alright to be different.

## **Science:**

The topics are 'Materials' and 'Plants.' We are exploring what items are made from and thinking about why this is. We have looked at transparent and opaque, water resistance and conducted experiments. Also, we are naming the parts and functions of a plant, naming types of trees and learning about seasons.

## **History & Geography:**

The topic is old and new toys. We have learnt about toys from the past and ordered them onto a timeline. We sorted toys onto a Venn diagram and designed a poster for a new toy. In Geography, we will be learning about the weather, including extreme weather and weather types in different parts of the world.

## **Art & DT:**

We are looking at making moving cards designs. We have looked at wheel, lever, slider and pop up mechanisms and we will design, make and evaluate our own cards. Our topic in art is 'painting' and we will explore the colour wheel and colour mixing.

## **MFL:**

The topics we are learning about are recognising numbers to 10, colours and animals in Spanish.

**PE:**

Our PE day is a Tuesday. Our topics are Skipping, Throwing and Catching and Parachute Games.

**Music:**

We are exploring the pulse, rhythm and timbre of some pieces of music and we are beginning to look at recording our musical compositions.

**Homework:**

Homework is set online. Mathletics will be assigned weekly and we will send further information about 'Bug Club.' Please continue to listen to your child read daily and write in their reading diaries. Each week, phonics reading pages will be sent home and these will help to support our preparation for the phonics screening test. Home reader day – our books are changed on a Tuesday.

**Important Dates:**

Phonics Screening Check – Monday, 12<sup>th</sup> June 2024

**Reminder:**

Please make sure that all of your child's uniform and shoes are clearly labelled with their name.

Thank you, Mrs Vasey and Mrs McGurk