

# Dovedale Primary School



We hope you all had a very happy Christmas and that the children are feeling refreshed and ready for another exciting term of learning. Please read on to find out what we will be exploring over the coming weeks!

## What's Happening This Term?

### Read, Write Inc Phonics

This term, children will continue developing their early reading skills and this will be dependent on their by learning Set 1 Special Friends and reading Ditty Sheets, followed by Red Books.

For more information and support with phonics, please visit our school website: [DOVEDALE CURRICULUM/→ ENGLISH/ PHONICS](http://DOVEDALE CURRICULUM/→ ENGLISH/ PHONICS).



### Past & Present / People, Cultures and Communities

We will be exploring big questions such as:

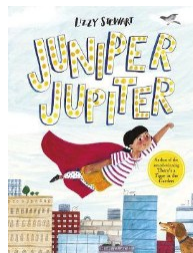
- What are our favourite celebrations each year?
- Which places and times are special to us and the people around us?

### The Natural World

This term we will be learning fascinating facts about space, naming the planets, begin to grasp concepts of size, distance, and our place in the universe, explore magnets and discover how shadows are formed. We will also visit Imagine That to support our learning. Later in the term children will draw their own maps, create symbols, go on a local walk, use positional language and learn what should and should not be included in a map.

### Literacy

We will be moving our literacy lessons away from Drawing Club and join the rest of the school in using Ready Steady Write. To start we will read Juniper Jupiter and learning about letter writing. Later in the term we will read Little Red, and learn about instruction writing and design a trap in our Design and Technology lessons.



### PSED

Our two topics are Dreams and Goals and Healthy Me. Children will share their aspirations, think about how to work towards their goals, and explore the emotions involved. We will discuss healthy choices, how to look after our bodies, and ways to keep ourselves safe.

### Expressive Arts and Design

Children will explore the artwork of Jackson Pollock and Kandinsky. They will discuss likes and dislikes, explore how colours make them feel, learn artistic techniques and create their own inspired pieces.



### Maths

This term we will build confidence in subitising within 5 and explore the composition of numbers and recall missing parts. Children will develop verbal counting to 20 and beyond. We will order numbers using cardinal and ordinal understanding and strengthen object counting accuracy.. The children will compare sets using mathematical language, recognise '1 more' and make unequal sets equal.

### Continuous Provision

Children will access daily continuous provision to follow their interests, consolidate learning, build resilience and develop strong relationships. Provision time is incredibly valuable in supporting confident, curious learners..

### Class Dojo

We communicate during school hours through the Class Dojo App, where you can see posts of children's work or other information about the learning. You are also able to add to your child's portfolio if they would like to share home learning, news about clubs they attend of any they would like to talk about at news time.



**ClassDojo**

### School website

For more detailed information in all subjects visit the Year R class page and curriculum . pages at [www.dovedaleprimary.co.uk](http://www.dovedaleprimary.co.uk)

'Imagine, Believe, Achieve'