

## **YEAR TWO**

## Autumn Term 2

This newsletter is to let you know what your child's class will be learning about this half term.

English In our English lessons we shall be basing our work around the book 'Daisy Saves the Day' By Shirley Hughes. We will write in the past tense about a Victorian house and jobs within it. We will describe characters and settings and write letters home in role as Daisy.

Reading practise sessions will take place 3 times a week to ensure children have the skills to answer a range of questions and complete various reading activities, both fiction, non-fiction and poetry.

<u>Maths</u> In our maths work we will be focusing on addition and subtraction and showing the children a variety of methods using many different practical resources. We will work up to 2 digit plus 2 digit and 2 digit subtract 2 digit. Children will develop their understanding and look at setting out their work using the column method. The children will also learn about 2D and 3D shape and the properties of these shapes. We will look at symmetry and pattern and the children will various problems to do with shape.

<u>PE</u> Days will be Mondays and an additional day in the week. If your child wears earrings, these need to be removed for PE. If they are new piercings, they will need to be covered for the day of PE. Warm clothes would be good this half-term as we will still be going outside!

<u>ART/DT</u> This half term we will focus on LS Lowry. The children will learn about primary and secondary colours and how to mix paint to make brown. They will study Lowry's paintings and try to replicate them. We will link to our work with Victorians again to create a felt collage about a landmark in Huddersfield with close links to the Victorian era.

<u>COMPUTING</u> This half-term's work is based round on-line safety. We will use Purple Mash to learn how to search and share safely and email. We will also learn about our digital footprint.

<u>WIDER CURRICULUM</u> During this half-term children will learn about the Victorians. We will find out about Queen Victoria and what life was like for a Victorian child. We will look at the similarities and differences and study a range of sources. We will have a trip to the railway station to learn about the beginning of the railway network in Huddersfield.

<u>RE</u> How we make good choices? The unit of work explores how people always face moral choices. It starts with a consideration of what makes a happy classroom, and why rules are important. Pupils then study moral codes from Christianity, Judaism and Islam including the Ten Commandments and the Five Pillars. They also look at non-religious stories and how these exemplify some guidelines for life. They are invited to respond by considering what would make the best rules for life.

<u>Music</u> Our music scheme is called Charanga. Our unit this half term is 'Ho, Ho, Ho.' The material presents an integrated approach to music, teaching the dimensions of music (pulse, rhythm, pitch etc), singing and playing instruments. As well as learning to sing, play, improvise and compose with songs, children will Listen & Appraise other styles of music and continue to embed the interrelated dimensions of music through games, singing and playing.

<u>Water bottles</u>-It is important for children to keep hydrated throughout the day. Please bring your child's <u>named</u> water bottle into school so they can have a drink. These will be sent home at the end of each week.

<u>Uniform-</u> Please ensure your child's clothes are named so they are not easily lost!