

# Yellow Class

# Autumn 1 Newsletter



<u>RE</u>

Throughout this half term we will be digging deeper as we think about the question, 'What do Christians believe God is like?' We will listen to and retell stories from the Bible, exploring examples of ways in which Christians show their belief in God.

### Maths

Over this half term we will be looking at number and place value, addition and subtraction and will begin to move on to multiplication and division. This will be through practical activities to begin with, moving on to some written methods when we are confident. We will also be doing some work on shape and measurement. Throughout each phase of learning, children will consolidate their learning through solving reasoning problems.

## <u>English</u>

Our focus in English this term will be on the narrative, 'Look Up!' by Nathan Bryon. Using this fantastic text, we will be focusing on using punctuation correctly, using expanded noun phrases to describe and joining our sentences using conjunctions.

### <u>Guided reading</u>

All children will continue using our guided reading scheme, 'Pathway to Read.' This half term our focus is on the fiction text "The Troll' by Julia Donaldson. Some children will also access our 'Read Write Inc' guided reading scheme to further support them with their reading skills.

## **Spellings**

We will be continuing with our whole school spelling programme, 'Pathway to Spell.' There will be four spelling lessons a week alongside our weekly spelling test. A spelling overview will be stuck in your child's homework book and tests will take place every Friday.

### <u>Science</u>



During our 'Healthy Me' topic, children will continue to explore the importance of exercise, diet and good hygiene. The children will take part in practical lessons to explore food, including making healthy food choices and prepare various different foods.

### <u>History</u>

The children will begin by thinking about the term 'technology' and what that means. They will then consider the technology that they use in their everyday lives before moving on to thinking about historical figures in the history of technology, e.g. Tim Berners-Lee and the impact his inventions have had.





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<u>Art</u>

Focusing on the theme 'technology' the children will identify art and design techniques in colour, pattern, texture, line, shape, form and space. They will also experiment with a variety of media and tone.

### Computing



In Computing, we will be become 'safe researchers.' Children will learn to retrieve content from the internet for a particular purpose, use mind mapping software to organise topic information and use presentation software to present their findings to an audience.

### <u>PSHE</u>

We will be focusing on the topic 'Me and My Relationships.' We will discuss what makes a happy classroom, ways in which different people might express their feelings, identifying what a good friendship is and recognising that there are different types of bullying and unkind behaviour.

### <u>Spanish</u>

Spanish will be taught by Mr Day and the children will be exploring the names of places that they may find in a town.

### <u>Music</u>

Music this term will be taught by Mrs Whiteley, focusing specifically on pulse and tempo.

### <u>PE</u>

All children will take part in two PE sessions each week, delivered by myself and ASM. The children will be focusing on games and teambuilding. They will use basic throwing, hitting, rolling, catching and kicking skills and make decisions on positions, interceptions and retrieving.

### Useful Information



**Reminder:** Homework is set on a Friday and needs to be completed and returned to school by the following Wednesday. Homework may be set on Education City so please check this each week. Reading diaries are also expected in school every day and we ask that children read 5 times a week.

If you have any questions, please email me –

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