

### Art & Design, Design and Technology and Music

Our design and technology unit relates to our history topic and we will look at designing and building our own castle including the features that we have learnt about. We will also be learning how to sew to help us create our own piece of bunting to decorate our castles. This will give us the chance to explore different ways to join materials. In Music, we will be making our own musical instruments using different materials and exploring tuned and untuned instruments. In Art, we will be exploring landscapes and developing our drawing and colour knowledge, including how to mix colours.

### Maths

This term we will focus on place value. We will practise counting, reading and writing numbers. We will compare and order numbers. Number bonds to 10, 20 and 100 will be a focus as will understanding hundreds, tens and ones. We will counting in multiples of twos, fives and tens. Problem solving and investigations will be on-going.

### Geography

This term we are exploring our local area of Hertford. We will be looking at homes and architecture as well as hopefully visiting Hertford Castle. This will allow us to gather information about the town to help the children create their own information leaflets.

### History

In History we will be finding out about castles, how and why they were created, looking at the structure of a castle and how they stop enemies invading.

### PE

In PE this term we will be exploring our bat and ball skills, looking at striking the ball in a controlled manner. We will also be exploring different ways of moving our body in dance lessons and think carefully about how to perform these.

In our gymnastic lessons we will be looking at how to link movements together.

### PSHE & RE

This term in RE, we will be focusing on Christianity and how to be kind to others. The children will be thinking about their own experiences of being helpful and kind. The second half of the term will explore what happened in the Nativity story.

In PSHE, we will be continuing our Jigsaw lessons. Children will begin to discuss their roles within the class, discover a sense of belonging and understand the consequences of the choices. We will be exploring how we are all different and how our unique qualities make us all different.

### ICT

We will be using the computer suite to practise computer skills such as logging on and off and saving work. We will become familiar with the computer keyboard and use it to type up some of our written work. We will reinforce the need for safety when using the internet. The children will have the opportunity to collect and interpret data using the program 2simple.

## Key Stage 1

## Autumn 2021



### English

Our key areas of focus in writing are sentence structure, punctuation and spelling. Phonics lessons will take place daily and the children's phonological knowledge will be extended. Comprehension of texts will be an important part of guided reading and English lessons. In fiction we will be enjoying books with repeating patterns, list poems and letter writing.

### Science

In Science we will looking at materials, finding out about their properties and how we can classify them. Children will compare materials, look at their uses and explore similarities and differences. We will also begin to plan our own investigations and predicting what could happen. In the second half of the term we will observe changes in the seasons during our forest school week. We will collect data using data loggers and observe how this changes over the different seasons. We will use this information to create a simple bar chart.