

# Class 1 Newsletter –Autumn 2 2017.

## Numeracy

Reception children will learn the names and properties of 2D shapes. We will go on a shape hunt around school and listen to clues to try to guess the shape. After this we will go on to using everyday language to talk about money, and coin recognition. Finally we will move on to addition and subtraction of numbers to 5, using the language 'more than/less than' and 'greater than/fewer than'.

Year 1s will continue work on addition and subtraction using the part/part/whole method (e.g. 5 is one part, 3 is one part, 8 is the whole). They will then move onto 2D and 3D shape, looking at names of shapes and their properties, before revisiting place value but this time extending to within 20.



## PE

This term the children will work with a coach on a Tuesday afternoon to develop skills in multisports. On a Thursday the session will have a focus on invasion games.



## Topic

During this half term we will focus on the Topic of "Come and Join the Celebration." Through this topic we will investigate the following concepts:

- A. To know the story of Guy Fawkes and the Gunpowder plot. To understand why 5<sup>th</sup> November is celebrated every year.
- B. To know what Remembrance Day symbolises.
- C. To be familiar with the Christmas Story. To understand the significance of traditions such as giving gifts and singing carols.

## Welcome back Class 1.

We hope you have all had a restful half term. We have a busy term ahead of us, with lots of fun activities planned in the lead up to Christmas.

Our topic of "Come and Join the Celebration" will give the children the chance to learn about, and to experience, different celebrations, including Bonfire Night and Christmas.

**Mrs Shirley, Mrs Swinscoe, Mrs Long,  
Mrs Oughton, and Mrs Hole.**

\*Full PE kits need to be in school for use on Tuesdays and Thursdays.

\*Year 1 Spellings go out on a Thursday, to be tested the following Thursday.

\*Reception children will bring home sounds and words to practise as they learn them in RWI. This will go home on a Thursday, due back by the following Thursday.

\*Children should read 3 times a week at home to receive their 'Read for Ted' stickers. Please sign their reading records and help support and encourage them, thank you.

\*Books for changing should be placed in the basket before the register.



## RE

We will be looking at Bonfire Night and Remembrance Day during November. We will then go on to look at the Christmas Story, and to share ideas about the significance of the story.

## PSHE

As part of Anti-Bullying week in November, we will have a focus on what makes us all different and how to be a good friend. We will also recognise the difference between right and wrong, and understand how making a positive choice can lead to happiness.

## Literacy

Children will have Read Write Inc sessions to learn key phonics, spelling, writing and reading skills.

Year 1 children will also have a Big Write Session on a Friday, to produce extended pieces of writing based around our topic.