

# West Butterwick C.E Primary School

## Curriculum Coverage Autumn 2019



Dear Parents/Carers,

We are pleased to welcome Class One back after a lovely Summer break and have already had a busy start to the year.

This term our main topic is history based with significant people from the past with links made with Design and Technology. We will also be covering some of the key skills and knowledge needed to develop a good foundation in Geography, Art and Design, Computing and Science.

### **In Science, we'll be finding out:**

- how to work scientifically.
- About everyday materials and their properties.
- About why certain materials are used for specific purposes.



### **In Geography, we'll be finding out:**

- the names of continents and oceans and some related facts.
- about some specific geographical vocabulary.
- How to use a compass to describe the location of a place.



### **In History, we'll be finding out:**

- About the famous people: William Wilberforce, Florence Nightingale and Mary Seacole.

### **In Art and Design, we'll be:**

- using a range of materials and techniques to a desired outcome.
- studying the work of different artists including Kandinsky, Pollock and Mondrian who are known for their use of colour.



### **In PE, we'll be:**

- developing our co-ordination and balance.

### **In Design and Technology, we'll be:**

- using skills and knowledge about structures to make a bed frame.

### **In Computing, we'll be finding out:**

- about the keyboard of a laptop.

- online safety
- simple coding with lego.
- exploring Purple Mash (our Computing online teaching and learning resource).

**In R.E,** we will be asking ourselves, 'How can we keep the world special?' We will explore and appreciate the natural world, using Christianity and Judaism as a context. We will share traditional and contemporary creation stories and consider ways in which we can all help care for the world. In the second half term, we will be considering the question: 'Why does Christmas matter to Christians?' We will dig deeper into the Nativity story and explore why Jesus is important to Christians and explain how they use this story to guide their beliefs and actions at Christmas. We will think about what we, ourselves, have to be thankful for at Christmas time.

**In P.S.H.E,** we will ask ourselves: 'What keeps me healthy?' We will learn about eating well, the importance of physical activity, sleep and rest, about people who help us to stay healthy and well, and about basic health and hygiene routines. To support our mental health and wellbeing, we will talk about friendship. We will learn about the importance of special people in their lives, making friends and who can help with friendships, and about solving problems that might arise with friendships.

Once again this term we are able to provide a weekly high quality music lesson with Miss Marshall, and Mrs Cressey will continue to teach French and some of the P.E lessons. Miss Eade, who is our PE co-ordinator will also be taking the children for a PE session each week.

**Additional Information:**

- School P.E kit will be required to come into school on a Monday just in case our plans change because of the weather, and should have suitable clothing to be inside and outside. PE will be on Tuesdays (Chapel or playground) and Thursdays ( in the playground until October half term and then it will be at the Village Hall). As part of our health and safety rules, the children are not allowed to wear earrings so they must be able to take them out themselves or provide their own plasters to cover them.
- As the half term progresses, homework will begin to be given out on a Friday to be handed back on the Thursday of the following week. The children do get house points for each piece of work that is completed, as well as extra ones for going that extra mile with reading! If you have any questions about the children's homework, please feel free to contact me. They also get rewarded for reading three or more times at home in a week.
- To help keep a track of the children's school uniforms, please ensure names are written clearly on the labels of their clothes, particularly jumpers and cardigans as well as bags. We have already had some go missing!
- Please can everyone bring their bookbag, reading book and record each day as we aim to hear the children read individually as much as possible.

If you have any queries, please don't hesitate to call in. Thank you for your continued support.