

Your child's topic will be: **ALL ABOUT US**

During this half term your child will learn:

- In English our focus texts *The Gruffalo*, *The Three Little Pigs* and *Vlad and the Great Fire of London*.
- In Maths we are focusing on place value, addition and subtraction and position.
- In Science we are researching materials.
- In Computing we are learning to use Purple Mash, an online learning platform.
- In History we are focusing on *The Great Fire of London*.
- In D&T we will be making moving pictures.
- In Music we are exploring long and short sounds as well as rehearsing for the nativity.
- In P.E. we are exploring dance. Huddersfield Giants Community Trust will teach us hockey.
- In R.E. we are thinking about why Christians celebrate Christmas.
- In PSHE&C our focus is keeping safe.

Dates for your diary:

- Maths Morning 12th November
- KS1 Nativity 10th December 2.15 & 6.30
- Class party 19th December

Welcome back!

Cockroft Class have had a very busy start to the school year and they are raring to go this half term! As we approach Christmas, timetabling may alter to allow nativity practises and Christmas crafts to take place, particularly from Week 5.

Mrs Martin will now be teaching Year 1 on a Wednesday afternoon.

A quick plea regarding children's clothing and PE kits - **please ensure every item of clothing is labelled with your child's name. As we will be doing hockey outside (weather permitting), please ensure your child has appropriate outdoor kit in school.** If you have lost an item of clothing, lost property is located by the library.

Also, please ensure your child has a water bottle in school daily, as hydration is key to helping their brains to learn.

Thank you!

Key learning objectives for Maths:

- Read and write numbers and number-names to 20
- Compare and order numbers to 20
- Identify 1 more and 1 less
- Estimate sets of objects, count to check and order sets according to size
- Understand 0 as the empty set
- Estimate and count up to 30 objects
- Find pairs that make 10
- Find missing numbers in number sentences
- Double numbers 1 to 5
- Recognise, name and describe squares, rectangles, circles and triangles
- Recognise basic line symmetry
- Sort 2D shapes according to their properties, using Venn diagrams and Carroll diagrams
- Recognise coins and begin to understand their value.

Key learning objectives for English:

- Use phonic knowledge to decode words
- Read common exception words confidently
- Read aloud books closely matched to their improving phonic knowledge, sounding out unfamiliar words accurately
- Becoming increasingly familiar with and retelling a wider range of stories, fairy stories and traditional tales
- Checking that the text makes sense to them as they read
- Making inferences and predictions on the basis of what is being said and done
- Answering and asking questions about the text
- Explain and discuss their understanding of texts that are read by themselves and others
- Matching phonemes to graphemes
- Learning to spell common exception words
- Form lower-case letters that are the same size and sit on the line
- Write capital letters and digits of the correct size, orientation and relationship to one another and to lower case letters
- Use spacing between words that reflects the size of the letters as well as full stops to mark sentences.

Nightingale Class Timetable - Autumn 2 2019

Mon	Phonics	English	Worship Time	Maths	Lunchtime	Science	Science			
Tues		English		Maths		Topic	Topic			
Weds		PE - Hockey (outdoor)		Break-time		English	DT - Mrs Martin	Break-time	Music - Mrs Martin	
Thurs		PE				Maths	Computing		Topic	All Homework to be returned
Fri		English		Celebration		Maths	RE	PSHE&C	Homework sent home	

A note about homework:

Children in Cockroft Class will be receiving maths homework and spellings every Friday. Homework is to be returned by Thursday and spellings will be tested on a Friday morning. This year, our spellings will follow a phonic pattern and I will also be sending termly common exception words as extra spelling practise. If there are queries about homework tasks, please don't hesitate to contact me.

Purple Mash logins will also be distributed this half term.

Please encourage your child to read their school reading book to you daily, and remember to sign in their reading record that you have heard them read, this will allow us to change their reading book. All reading books will be changed weekly as a minimum.

Finally, the government-recommended time for children in Year 1 to spend on homework is 10-15 minutes per day. If your child has worked well & tried their best with a task for that time, please feel free to stop them - just sign the sheet or whatever, to say they have done their allocated study time. However, if they are motivated to continue further, please feel free to let them!!

Cockroft Timetable:

The timetable in Year 1 is fairly flexible to allow for projects, visits and to allow them to utilise the ICT suite and outdoor resources where necessary. This half term may vary due to rehearsals in school for the nativity performances. Please ensure your child's PE kit and reading book are in school each day to help with our timetable adaptations.

Ways to help your children include:

- Counting and practising number formation
- Ensuring homework tasks are returned promptly
- Practising phonics and phonic activities at home
- Questioning your child about the books they are reading - making predictions about the story, retelling the story, explaining their understanding

And finally...

If there is anything you would like to check or if you have any queries/concerns, please don't hesitate to pop in and chat. After school on Mondays and Thursdays are often the best times to see me due to staff meetings and sports events. Mrs Martin will dismiss the children on a Wednesday.

Thank you, Miss Goodall (Class Teacher)