

## Jump Primary School Newsletter - Year 1

Please find attached the planning for Autumn 2, our topic this term being "Materials: What Are Things Made Of?" We will also be looking at Christianity and Judaism in our week long topic "How Do People Celebrate?" You could support your child's learning by:

- Talking to your child about everyday materials used in the home. Look for objects (inside and outside) made of metal, plastic, wood and fabric.
- Investigating different materials. Sorting them according to criteria your child decides (for example, what feels rough and what does not).
- Talking about why different materials are used for different purposes. Why don't we make teapots from chocolate!
- Talking about why the same material (eg plastic) can be used for different purposes.
- Looking at objects made of glass in your home. Discuss why glass is a useful material. Look at transparent glass and translucent glass (which your child may refer to as "fuzzy") in the home.
- Using books or the internet to research different materials, their properties and their uses.
- Going on an "objects hunt" together, inside or outside the home. Try and find as many items made of that material as you can.
- Investigating waterproof items in your home. Testing materials to see if they are waterproof or absorbent.
- Playing with magnets. Testing to see what is or is not magnetic.

We hope you find the copy of the planning useful in helping you to support your child's learning. If you have any queries please do not hesitate to approach Mrs Barker. Mrs Barker is available at the end of the school day to answer your queries and concerns or to discuss your child's progress and interests at Jump Primary School.

Mrs K Barker

Mrs K Falconer

Class Teacher

Headteacher

### Useful Information

- P.E. is every Wednesday and Thursday morning. Please ensure your child has appropriate kit in school on these days **and is not wearing any jewellery** (including earrings).
- Homework will be sent out on Monday (Tuesday if an after school club is taking place) to be completed and returned to school by the following Monday. Spellings will also be sent out on Monday to be tested the following Monday.
- Blue reading packets will contain your child's individual reading books and home/school reading record. Please record your thoughts as to your child's reading in their records.
- Books will be changed every week, the day of change will vary according to when your child has read in school. If your child would like to take home any books from our class library they are welcome to do so, returning them the following week.