

### English

- We will be continuing with our Read Write Inc. scheme to teach phonics and we will have an hour English lesson following the Lancashire plans. Some children are on 'Ditty books' concentrating on writing simple sentences linked to a familiar story. Other children are now onto the 'Get Writing books' which focus more on developing more detailed pieces of writing. If you have any questions about how we teach reading and writing in our English lessons, please do not hesitate to contact me.

### Science

- In Science we will be identifying and naming a variety of common animals including fish, amphibians, reptiles, birds and mammals.
- We will describe and compare the structure of a variety of common animals and find out and describe how animals look different to one another.

### Music/ Computing

- Computing:** We will learn how to store, edit and retrieve files from the computer, network or online area.
- Music:** We will continue to follow the Lancashire Charanga Scheme to learn music and we will be having singing lessons.

### Topic

#### (Penguins, Possums and Pigs)

- Our main subjects this half term will be Science, Geography and Art.
- In Geography we will name and locate the world's seven continents and five oceans.
- We will also identify seasonal and daily weather patterns in the United Kingdom and the location of hot and cold areas of the world in relation to the Equator and the North and South Poles.
- In Art we will experiment with mark-making using charcoal and chalk, graphite sticks and pens on large and small scales e.g. iceberg shape, trees for possums.
- We will then use our observational drawings to make 3-D clay sculptures of penguins.



### PE

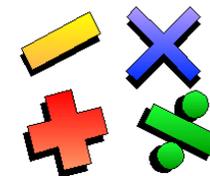
- P.E will take place on Tuesday and Thursday.
- This half term we will be working on our fundamental movement skills.

### Maths

#### TIMES TABLES!

By the end of the year children in Year 1 are to know their 2, 5 and 10 times tables. Please practise these as much as possible at home to develop their quick mental recall.

- Number and Place Value
- Length and Mass/Weight
- Addition and Subtraction
- 2D and 3D shape



### PSHE and RE

- We will focus on the religion: Christianity. With the focus question 'What do some people do because they believe in God?'
- In our PSHE lessons we will be thinking about healthy relationships.

### Homework

- Spellings:** A test each week and new spellings to be learnt; given out and tested on a Friday.
- Reading:** To read daily at home (10-15 minutes). Books are changed when necessary. If they read 3 times or more in a week they will be given a raffle ticket on Friday to possibly win a prize at the end of the half term and be our 'half term bookworm!'
- Topic project:** Homework is set to consolidate skills taught in class. The project will be set at the beginning of the term and will be expected to be completed before the end of term.