



# Y1 Curriculum News Spring 2



## English

This half term we will be reading a non-chronological report on birds. We will focus on how we write to inform and we will be able to use these skills to write about fish. We will write questions and look at writing in past and present tense, using suffixes 'ed' and 'ing'. We will continue using capital letters, full stops and finger spaces in our writing. We will also continue our cursive handwriting, making sure our letters are the right size and sit on the line.

## Maths

We will be looking at place value and addition and subtraction within 20. We will compare and order numbers up to 20. We will make number bonds to 20 and practise doubling. In subtraction, we will take away ones using number bonds, practise counting back and finding the difference. We will also learn how to solve missing number problems. We will continue with our arithmetic lessons where we practise new strategies to help us solve problems mentally.

## Topic

Our topic this half term is Animals (including humans). In Science, we will be looking at the human body before learning about other types of animals. We will be testing our five senses. We will investigate different animal groups and describe them: mammals, birds, fish, amphibians and reptiles. We will also be exploring their diets and habitats.

## PE

### Indoor PE- Gymnastics

We will perform various jumps, rolls and balances in a sequence and ensure we use apparatus carefully.

### Outdoor PE- Football

We will explore kicking and stopping the ball with different body parts and shooting into a target.

## Art/DT

Our focus in art is to experiment with a range of media. Within painting, we will explore how we can lighten and darken primary colours with the use of black and white powder paint. We will also build on mixing secondary colours.

## Reminders

- All children should read for 10 minutes each night and sign their planner every day.
- Please ensure your child's familiar read and library book is in their bag every day.
- Homework is given out on a Wednesday and is handed in on the following Monday.
- PE is on a Monday and Wednesday. Please ensure your child comes to school in the morning in their PE kit.
- Please ensure your child brings their coat and bag to school every day.