

## Writing

This half term, we will be focussing on writing sentences that start with a capital letter and finish with a full stop, leaving finger spaces between words and using capital letters when writing names and the days of the week. The children will practise sentence construction by first saying their sentence out loud and then writing it down. We will also begin using the coordinating conjunction 'and' to join words in sentences. These things will all be taught through rich texts, film clips or images. Our first text is called, ***'Marvellous me inside and out!'*** By Lisa Bullard and the children will be on a learning journey that will see them create a poster all about what makes them marvellous!

## Phonics—Little Wandle

During our phonics sessions, we will be learning a new sound each day. We will be reading tricky words and learning to apply our learnt sounds to the spelling of words. During our Adventure time we will consolidate the learning through fun activities. Tricky words to learn to read this half term: **any, many, again, who, whole, where, two, school, call, different, thought, through, friend, work, once, laugh, because, eye**

## Year 1—Autumn 1

### Catherington Village

## Geography

In Geography this half term, we will be thinking about our local village of Catherington. We will be learning what a village is, where Catherington village is located and then identifying the nearby town of Waterlooville and the city of Portsmouth using google maps and paper maps of the UK. The children will learn facts about Catherington village and will learn what makes it special. This will lead us onto thinking about what its physical and human features are and why people choose to live in the village of Catherington.

## Computing

This half term in computing, we will be learning about the technology that is all around us and how it can help us. In addition to this, the children will be developing their mouse and keyboard skills. Finally, we will be thinking about how to use technology responsibly and we will think about rules we can follow to keep ourselves safe.

## Reading

In reading, we will be learning to blend sounds taught in unfamiliar words. We will focus on reading common exception words that have been taught and re-reading texts to build up fluency in word reading. The children will have 5 reading sessions a week two of which will be adult led. The children will participate in discussions about what they have read and what has been read to them.

## Mathematics

This half term, we will focus on learning about place value up to 50. The children will be using maths manipulatives such as cubes, Numicon and straws to support their counting. The children will also be using pictorial methods such as a bar model, tens frame and part whole model to enhance their understanding of the calculation. During our maths lessons, we will also be teaching problem solving, addition and subtraction. We will have daily mental maths lessons.

### R.E

This half term in RE, we will be thinking about our key question:

***Who made the world?*** We will be exploring this through the study of Christianity by looking at the wonderful world we live in. We will also have daily worship sessions.

### P.E

Our PE days will be on Tuesdays and Thursdays.

On Tuesdays, we will do games outside.

On Thursdays, we will do gymnastics or dance inside.

Please remember to have warm jogging bottoms and a jumper or hoodie for those colder days outside.

### Music

In music, we are going to be focusing on pitch through the topic, 'Teddy bears picnic'. We will learn songs and how to play the xylophone.

### PSHE

In PSHE, we will start by talking about how to keep ourselves safe in school. We will create a list of ways to stay safe and put them on the wall to remind us. After this we will learn through Harold the giraffe about the importance of school rules, listening to others and sharing and taking turns. We will finish the half term by thinking about fire safety and firework safety.

### Design Technology

In design technology this half term, we will be focusing on movers and sliders. We will be learning about how to make things move using different mechanisms. We will be making a moving class book, with each child taking one page, about the animals in our area. We will also be practising cutting in straight and curved lines and then each child will need to make their animal move by using a flap, slider or pop-up!

### Science

This half term, we will be exploring animals including humans. The children will be learning about animals in our local area by describing them and their diet. We will start and end the term with our longitudinal study which will involve observing the weather changes across the seasons. This will be done in each term throughout the year.

### Trickbox

This half term, we will be revisiting the trick ***Mirror Mirror*** learnt previously in year R which encourages the children to look at themselves in the mirror and say nice things to themselves. They will then learn a new trick called ***Big Voice***. This trick teaches the children to use a big voice in their heads to say 'I CAN DO IT!'