



Dear Parent/Caregiver,

Welcome to Term 2. We are looking forward to a fantastic term of new topics.

### **Language, Oracy and Literacy**

Our class reader, 'The Lion, The Witch and The Wardrobe', by C.S. Lewis will inspire creative and descriptive writing as the children deepen their ability to use powerful descriptive language and imagery whilst broadening their vocabulary. They will learn to write a script and develop their oracy skills by working on vocal expression, intonation and projection.

### **Mathematics**

Collecting data, sorting and representing information in charts and graphs, measuring mass, length and time. We will also be solving word problems relating to number, money, time and measures, finding fractions of numbers and quantities; recording compass directions and using co-ordinates.

### **Science & Technology**

'Changing Materials' - The children will investigate the properties of solids, liquids and gases as well as looking at the particle structure of each. They will discover how our world is made up of solids, liquids and gases and how they can change under different circumstances, such as dissolving, evaporation and melting.

### **Time & Place**

Using maps to focus on North and South America. Locating states in the US and important geographical features such as The Mississippi River, The Galapagos Islands and the Amazon Rainforest. Children will also learn about the Aztecs.

### **Physical & Emotional Health (PE & Games)**

Games – invasion games (football). Indoor and outdoor PE kits should be brought into school on a Monday morning and taken home on a Friday afternoon.

Dance - The children will be working on timing, coordination and dynamics. They will learn a dance for assembly based on Symmetry and bridges linked with our Maths and Place and Time curriculum.

### **Arts & Creativity**

Art – Children will be learning about Aztec art. They will make an Aztec headdress using Aztec design and feathers.

Music – The children will be practising and performing songs for the assembly. They will also sing Christmas Carols in unison and cannon for a performance at school in December.

### **Citizenship & Ethics**

We will be looking at responsibilities and our duties to the wider community, thinking about what we have to offer our local area. The children will also learn about the role of their parents and gain a basic understanding of the tax system to gain an insight into how we pay for our roads and schools.

### **Faith & Belief**

Christianity – Discussing what the most important part of Christmas for Christians today. How can we use the Christmas story to help us think about others during the festive season?

### **Homework**

**Maths** – weekly

My Maths

**Maths** - daily

Practice of x tables and competencies

**Reading** -weekly

Comprehension – sometimes to include research linked to Time and Place topic

**Reading** – daily

Reading 20 minutes to an adult with difficult words identified and Reading Record signed

**Spellings** – weekly

Alternating between Spelling Stars and Curriculum Spellings.

If you have any questions please feel free to see me or make an appointment through Mrs Bailey.

Kind regards,

*Mrs Lucas and Mrs Casey*