

# KS1 Hub Term 1 Curriculum Newsletter 2023

## English

This term we will be starting with a whole school book **In Our Hands by Lucy Farfort**, where the children will create their own origami book with stories about where the bottle will end up next. Then we will look at the story of **Grace and Family by Mary Hoffman and Caroline Binch**. This will link with our topic of childhood and look at family life; allowing children to explore the emotions and relationships they describe and the worlds they bring to life. The children will write a character description, a diary entry and postcard in role, as Grace. Then the children will write about their own families and what their family means to them; as well as advice for Grace including labels, a collaborative poem and invitations. Within our English lessons we will be focusing on letter formation, using capital letters and full stops correctly, writing exciting sentences with noun phrases and adverbials. The children in year 1 will be continuing their phonics through Little Wandle and will be recapping their sounds from phase 2 and 3 and starting to learn phase 4 and 5. In year 2, the children will be learning about reading skills (VIPERS) and the year 2 spellings.

## Science

This term we will be looking at the topic of Humans and looking at our bodies. The children will think about how they have grown already and how they will continue to grow. We will label different parts of our body as well as experiment with our 5 senses, before thinking about what we need to survive and how we can ourselves fit and healthy.

## Childhood

### Maths

We follow The White Rose and Year 2 children will start the term with Place Value, ordering numbers to 20, 50 and 100; making numbers using tens frames, Numicon and tens and ones, as well as learning about fact families to 20 and number bonds to 100. We will compare numbers using more and less than and the symbols  $\geq$   $\leq$ , before moving onto adding and subtracting tens and ones. Then we will be counting in 2s, 5s, 10s and 3s.

Year 1 will be focusing on numbers 1-10 and reading, counting, ordering and comparing numbers using more and less than and the symbols  $\geq$   $\leq$ . Then the children will be finding 1 more than and 1 less before counting in 2s, 5s and 10s.

### PE

We will be using our ball skills of throwing and catching to ourselves and partners using large and small balls. The children will learn how to aim at a target and use footwork to help them throw accurately in small games.

### RE

We follow the syllabus of Understanding Christianity and start with the theme of Creation; thinking about our big question of I wonder who made the world? We will start by thinking about what makes us say WOW and see the awe and wonder in the world around us. Then we will listen to the Creation story from Genesis in the Bible and think about what this tells us about God. We will explore how Christians believe God made the world and how we can say thank you to God. The children will reflect on our amazing, natural world is and how we need to look after our world.

### History

We will start our topic of Childhood by walking down to Maidstone Museum and engaging in a workshop about toys through time as well as looking at toys from the past. Then we will investigating artefacts to sort into past and present, using photographs of ourselves to create a timeline and then linking to our family tree.

### Art

We will be learning about colour theory this term. The children will be learning about primary and secondary colours and how they can mix the primary colours together to create the secondary colours. In year 2, the children will learn more about the different shades they can create.