



**Year 1**  
**Spring 1 Newsletter**  
**Lovely London**



In this booklet, you will find information on some of the things your child will be covering in class. You will also find a few ideas of how you can help your child at home.

We value your support in working with us and hope that you will find this information useful.

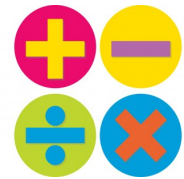
## ENGLISH



- In English, we will be reading stories based around London. In particular 'Katie in London' and 'Paddington at the Tower'.
- We will be writing non chronological reports about the Queen.
- We will also learn about how to correctly punctuate our sentences.
- We will continue to work on using and and because to extend our sentences.
- Weekly spelling test based on the spellings sent home the week before.
- We will continue to develop our reading skills through Read Write Inc.



## MATHEMATICS



- We will be working towards being able to count forwards to 100 and backwards from 50. Please support your child at home with this.
- We will also practise to count in 2s, 5s and 10s. Please support your child at home with this.
- We will continue to practise our skills of addition and subtraction, including problem solving.
- We will begin to develop skills linked to multiplication and division.
- We will continue to work on length and introduce mass and capacity.
- We will learn how to read and show o'clock and half past times on an analogue clock.

## UNDERSTANDING THE WORLD

- In Science, we will be learning the four seasons with a focus on Winter. Within this we will compare the different weathers of the different seasons.
- In History, we will be learning about the Monarchy, focusing on the current Queen and two previous Queens.
- In Geography, we will be learning about the four countries of the UK. This will include their capital cities, important landmarks and their flags.
- We will be visiting the Olympic Park which hosted the 2012 Olympics.
- In RE, we will be exploring the Islamic faith, focusing on special objects and celebrations.
- In Computing, we will be improving our basic IT skills, developing our knowledge to keep safe on the internet and learning to search for images on the internet.





## PERSONAL, SOCIAL AND EMOTIONAL DEVELOPMENT

- In PSHE , we will be talking about what we are good at.
- We will be learning about our bodies.
- We will be thinking about the similarities and differences between ourselves and the opposite gender.

## PHYSICAL DEVELOPMENT

- We will be developing skills in gymnastics including:
  - controlling their body when travelling and balancing.
  - travel and balance in different ways.
  - copying a sequence and repeating it.





## EXPRESSIVE ART AND DESIGN

- In D&T we will design and make landmarks of London.
- We will continue to develop our music skills during our weekly music lesson.



## EXTRA ACTIVITIES/ THINGS TO BRING IN

- PE kits to be brought in on Monday and will be sent back home on Friday.
- Book bags to be brought to school daily.
- Homework books should be shown to the class teacher weekly. If all six activities are completed, your child will receive 6 merits.



## HOME LINKS

- Please read with your child daily and complete the reading log.
- Please complete the homework that is set, including Bug Club and Mathletics.
- Please support your child to learn their spellings.
- Please label all clothing.