



# Year 1/2

## Summer Term

### RE

In RE, we will be finding out that, for Christians, Sunday is the special day of the week. It is the day on which Jesus rose from the dead and is considered to be a day of rest. We will also find out about **Pentecost** - a special celebration of the gift of the Holy Spirit, through whom the risen life of Jesus is given.

In addition, we will spend time learning about the Islamic faith.

### English

In English, we are reading a story from another culture. Anna Hibiscus lives in Nigeria and we are enjoying finding out about her and her family.

We will be writing descriptions of settings, as well as a diary entry. We will also look at contemporary poetry form around the world.

### Maths

Maths this half term will focus on Geometry, looking closely at shape and using key vocabulary to describe position and direction (turn, 1/4 turn, 1/2 turn, right angle, clockwise, anticlockwise)

We will also look at data handling in maths, and answering questions using Pictograms and Bar

### History

In history, Y1 and 2 will develop an awareness of the past, using words and phrases related to the passing of time. They will be able to talk about the lives of significant people -**Mary Seacole, Edith Cavell & Florence Nightingale**, and later in the term, the explorers **Neil Armstrong** and **Christopher Columbus**, and know why they are significant. They will be able to place these

### Geography

Our work in Geography will focus on World Map Skills and be supported by our work on History, learning about significant people from around the world, and in English when we read stories and poems from other cultures around the world.

We'll finish the term by finding out about St. Lucia, and comparing and contrasting with our own home in the UK.

## Science

Science this term will focus on gaining an understanding of what it means to be alive through the seven criteria for organisms (MRS GREN). These criteria begin to be applied, with support, to make decisions about things that are no longer alive or have never been alive. Organisms begin to be sorted into habitats, touching on how they have adapted over time. Food chains within habitats are introduced too, through practical activities and simple examples relevant to humans.

## PE

PE Day will be **MONDAY**

We will introduce games to work on catching and throwing skills, as well as improving our teamwork.

## Computing

We will be developing our coding skills using Scratch Jr, as well as combining our Data Handling work in maths, by looking at how technology can help us to present data

## Music

Year 1/2 will be working with Music Partnership North, developing our music knowledge with instrumental tuition, focusing on percussion instruments

## Homework

Reading books will be changed weekly, please continue to send reading folders into school daily. Please do try to read at home as much as possible!

Spellings and Times Table Rockstars will come home on a Friday, and be followed by a 'Class Challenge' the following Friday. Please support your child at home by spending time looking at spellings and times tables together.