

# Year 1/2 Autumn Term

## RE

In RE, we will be looking at God's family, and finding out about the story of Creation.

We will learn about the Sacrament of Baptism, and how Sacaraments are important for Christians.

Later on this term we will prepare ourselves to celebrate Christmas by journeying through Advent together.

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

#### **English**

In English, we will continue the work started before the summer, on The Wizard of Oz. We will describe and write about the characters and the setting. We will take this learning further, by looking at a classic picture book with similar themes: "Where the Wild Things Are"

## Maths

Maths this half term will focus on Number and Place Value. Y1 will look at counting forwards and backwards to 100, knowing what is 1 more and 1 less than each number, and how to read and write each number to 10. Y2 will focus on counting in steps of 2,3 and 5 as well as recognising the value of each digit in 2 digit numbers.

# **History**

In history, Y1 and 2 will learn about two of our most well known monarchs, Queen Victoria and Queen Elizabeth II. They will be able to place these significant individuals on a timeline and compare aspects of life in the different time periods.

# Geography

Our work in Geography will focus on 'Weather' and how weather can impact our daily life. We will keep records of the weather and look at how it changes over the course of the term.

#### Science

Science this term will focus on learning about animals with a focus on the needs of humans. They consider how our bodies develop as they mature and move on into old age, considering how other animals are similar/different. Healthy choices become a focus, through looking at lifestyle choices, exercise and hygiene. Setting high personal expectations is encouraged within the unit.

#### PE

#### PE Day will be **TUESDAY**

We will introduce 'FUNS' (Fundamental Skills) looking at the basics of movement to improve our physical development.

## **Computing**

We will be developing our knowledge of technology around us and how it supports our everyday life. Later in the term, we will be finding out about Digital Photography.

#### Music

Year 1/2 will be developing our knowledge of pulse, pitch and dynamics In music, using our voices, body percussion and a range of percussion instruments.

#### **Homework**

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

Spellings and Number Bonds (Y1) or Times Table Rockstars (Y2) 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 number work together. All passwords can be found inside your child's reading diary.

Please do not hesitate to contact me about any aspect of school life. You can email me on mrsdouglass@stgcps.org, or through the school office.