Key dates

Most key dates can be found on our school newsletters and on the school website. W/B 5th February – E-safety week, Tuesday 6th February – Safer Internet Day 19th – 23rd February – Half Term

English

We will be looking at two books this half term; Beegu by Alexis Deacon about an alien who lands on Earth and The Odd Egg by Emily Gravett. Both stories are about embracing differences amongst us and looking after characters that may need extra kindness. When reading Beegu the children will develop their own narrative writing and with The Odd Egg they will create their own 'Egg Spotter's Guide'.

<u>Maths</u>

In Maths this term we will be learning how to add and subtract numbers to 20, using a range of different strategies. These will include using scaffolds such as a tens frame and real objects. We will also learn about the 'bar model' method and embed our knowledge of using a number line. We will then move on to place value within 50, learning the value of two-digit numbers and how to represent these.

RE

We will be learning about special books, including the Christian holy text, The Bible. We will read stories about Jesus and learn about and why this is important to Christian people.

<u>Spring 1</u> What would it be like if we were all the same?



<u>Science</u>

In science this term we will be learning about animals, including humans. We will learn how to observe and classify animals, using vocabulary such as reptile, amphibian and mammal. We will also have a look at how the weather has changed since September and the current season we are in.

<u>Art</u>

We will use paint to look at colour mixing and how to use primary colours to make secondary colours. We will also look at pencil techniques such as hatching and stippling.

<u>Geography</u>

This half term we will be looking at the weather and seasonal changes. This will include observing changes such as rainfall and the temperature outside using the appropriate equipment.

<u>Computing</u>

This half term in computing we will use purple mash to create an animated e-book using the programme '2create a story.' You can find your child's log-in details in the back of their homework book and have a look at what they are producing as they develop it.

<u>PSHE</u>

In PSHE this term we will be looking at healthy lifestyles from both a physical and emotional point of view. We will look at how to keep our bodies and mind healthy and will also continue to use strategies for good mental health such as using breathing techniques and talking about how we feel and why.

<u>Music</u>

We will be creating musical sound effects and short sequences of sound in response to stimuli in Music this half term. We will also explore percussion sounds to enhance story telling – linked to our English text; Beegu. Finally we will respond to the beat in the piece of music 'Rondo Alla Turca' by Mozart through movement and playing of percussion instruments. In PE this half term the children will take part in games where we will be developing skills in agility, co-ordination and balance through a range of activities. Our PE days are Monday and Friday.

PE

Your child should come to school in their PE

<mark>kit on these days</mark>

- White T-shirt or Red T-Shirt
- Blue/Black shorts or Tracksuit bottoms
 - Tracksuit top
 - Trainers

PE will take place outside for as much as possible so please ensure your child has appropriate clothing for this.