

Year 1 Newsletter Term Summer 1



Class Blogs: to facilitate the learning process, we regularly post learning materials online. The content of the Class Blogs will enable parents to support their child at home.



In **English** this term, our first text will be a narrative text– 'Beegu' by Alexis Deacon.

It is the story of a lost creature from space who is searching for her family. The children will write their own version to develop their story writing skills, using adjectives and a range of conjunctions

We will also continue to look at non-fiction texts. This time we will be using texts linked to our topic: **We are the UK**. The children will then use all that they have learnt in Geography to write a report about the UK's capital city, London.

Phonics is taught daily and the children have small group Guided Reading sessions each week Please try to listen to your child read their book as often as you can.

In **Maths** we will continue to practise our number and place value skills. We will also be learning some new skills:

Key Focus: Multiplication and Division

Children will continue to reinforce their knowledge of counting in 2s, 5s and 10s. In addition, children will begin to find arrays and share amounts equally.

Key Focus: Geometry

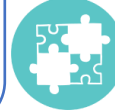
In our position and direction unit, children will begin to describe turns and positions of objects using vocabulary such as whole turn, half turn quarter turn, forwards, backwards, left and right.



Our topic this half term is

We are the UK

This is a **Geography** led topic and will feature an 'Afternoon Tea' tasting food from England, Scotland, Wales and Northern Ireland.



SCIENCE

In **Science** we will be learning about **Plants**.

The children will be learning to recognise and name some common plants, flowers and trees in the local environment.

The children will plant their own broad bean seed then observe it closely time as it grows and changes. They will learn what plants need to grow well. They will record their findings in a 'Bean Diary'.

CURRICULUM

In **Geography** the children will learn about the countries of the UK. The children will learn about the capital cities, the physical and human features of the different countries and will learn to recognise the different flags.

In **DT**, we will learn to make simple structures and how to strengthen them. The children will then use these skills to make a feature of a playground

In **RE**, we will think about 'Why do we care for others?'

In **Computing**, the children will continue to use their laptop skills in the unit Digital Writing.