

Literacy

Our new topic this half term is *Time Travellers*. We will be learning about important historical events such as The Great Fire of London. The book we are focusing on is called '*Traction Man*' by Mini Grey. This half term we will be encouraging the children to become familiar with the story through a range of writing genres including instructions and narrative setting.

How can you help at home?

- Encourage your children to retell stories you read with them.
- Discuss important local and international events and celebrations.
- Read with your children every evening

Writing

Your child should be encouraged to write at every opportunity. It is crucial that your child **uses their sounds** and the **special friends** that are taught in Read Write Inc. (RWI).

Numeracy

This half term, the children will be learning all about 2D and 3D shapes, relating them to everyday objects. They will explore shapes in different orientations and sizes and they will describe and classify shapes. The children will also describe position, direction and movement, including whole, half, quarter and three-quarter turns. The children will also be working with numbers up to 20.

How can you help at home?

- Encourage your child to recognise and describe the shape of everyday objects you see at home and when you are out and about.
- Practise reading / writing numbers to 20.
- Keep practising Mathletics

RE

How and why Christians celebrate Christmas

Key Routines

Monday: We will be having PE. Children are to change into their P.E. kits at school (white t-shirt, navy bottoms and plimsolls).

Wednesday: Bring in completed homework set the previous week.

Thursday: New homework goes out.

Key Dates

- Mon 6th Nov** – Free Flu Vaccine
- Tue 14th Nov** – Parents Open Afternoon 3.30-7pm
- Wed 1st Nov** – Individual Photographs
- Thu 16th Nov** – Parents Open Afternoon 3.30-6pm
- Fri 17th Nov** – Children in Need Non-Uniform Day
- Wed 22nd Nov** – Trip – LSO Schools' Concert
- Mon 4th Dec** – Dental Check & Fluoride Coating
- Tue 12th Dec** – Christmas Lunch
- Fri 15th Dec** – Save the Children Christmas Jumper Day
- Thu 21st Dec** – End of Term Class Parties – afternoon

Homework

Please remember to read with your child at every opportunity and continue Mathletics activities.

Homework will be set every Thursday and is expected to come back by the following Wednesday.

How you can help your child at home

Please read with your child every day and ask them questions related to the text. If you are unsure when your child is to bring their book bag please ask a member of staff.



Sir Thomas Abney
PRIMARY SCHOOL

Year 1

Juniper and Lilac

Autumn Term 2017

2nd Half

Staff in Class

*Cariad Gurden & Rebecca
Diamond (Class Teachers)*

*Hannah Gorzelak, Jackie Webb
(Teaching Assistants)*

In International, we'll be finding out:

- About different festivals from around the world
- How we can compare different festivals from around the world

Time Travellers

Milepost 1 – Autumn Term 2

Year 1



In History, we'll be finding out:

- How to create a timeline
- About events that are important to us
- How to use objects to find out more about an event
- About important events that happened in our local area
- How we can find out about an event by interviewing someone who was there
- How to use different sources to learn about a national event
- About events of global significance by asking and answering questions