# PoolHouse Community Primary School Diamond Class Curriculum Map – Spring

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Our topic for the first half term is Islam. We shall recap the five pillars of Islam, origins and Muslim places of worship. We shall also consider how the five pillars link to our own lives. In the second half term we shall focus on Christianity once again, where we shall learn the Easter story. We shall also be focusing on stories about the life of Jesus in the lead up to Easter.

#### **Humanities**

In the first half term we shall be learning about The Black Death. During this unit we shall consider what the Black Death was, how people thought it spread, the effect it had on the country and the role of plague doctors. In Geography lesson we shall be considering food shortages and waste around the world and consider what role we can play in addressing the problems.

#### <u>Science</u>

In Science this term we shall be following up on the learning carried out at Ashton CSC last term and continue learning about Forces. We shall begin the unit by learning about the life and feats of Isaac Newton before carrying out a range of activities that allow us to experiment with a variety of forces. In the second half term we shall be learning about the human life cycle. We shall carry out in-depth lessons into each stage of the human life cycle during this unit.

# <u>Music</u>

In Music we will explore cyclic patterns in relation to adverts. We shall explore the repetition of lyrics and sounds as we create our own adverts. We shall also practice songs each Wednesday morning for our Easter celebration assembly at the end of the half term.

# **French**

In French we shall be learning all about family and friends as well as school life. This term, we shall be practicing a range of French vocabulary through carrying out listening, reading and writing tasks.

#### <u>Maths</u>

In Maths we shall be exploring a variety of Geometry skills. We shall be creating nets of shapes and considering the properties (edges, vertices and faces) of a range of 3D shapes. We shall also practise reading and plotting coordinates on all four quadrants of graph before reflecting and translating shapes across the four quadrants. Later in the term we shall find missing angles in a range of places: on a straight line, around a point, in triangles and in quadrilaterals. We shall also revise a range of arithmetic skills in

### **PSHCE & Wellbeing**

This term we will initially be focusing on our unit 'Living in the Wider World. This unit asks us to consider why rules are made and enforced as well as how the are made. We shall also be learning about personal hygiene, emergency procedures within school as well as whole school issues such as railway safety and water safety.

# **Computing**

In Computing this half term, we shall be learning about Geometry and Art. The focus of this unit is on tessellations. We shall consider what tessellations are, how they are made and where they are found in everyday life. We shall also create our own tessellations. We will also be researching cyber-safety and planning and designing our own cyber-safety website page to inform others about how to stay safe online.

<u>Spellings</u> will be handed out every Monday and will be tested the following Monday. Homework will be set each week and will be checked each Monday.

<u>Reading books</u> need to be brought to school each day. Please could you read with your child each night and sign their reading records.

# <u>English</u>

In English we shall be exploring 'The Museum of Fun'. We shall research each aspect of the museum before writing our own review of the museum. We shall also b creating an advert for the museum at the end of the unit. Later in the term we shall be reading Harry Potter and the Philosopher's Stone. We shall carry out several reading and writing activities throughout this unit, including writing our own potions and our own narratives using the characters in the book. SPAG sessions will take place each week.

# <u>PE</u>

Our PE lessons will take place on Monday afternoons and Wednesday afternoons each week. It is very important that full kit is in school on these days or your child will not be able to take part in our PE activities. During this term we shall be practising our football and hockey skills.

#### Art & Design

In the first half term we shall be focusing on Georgian Architecture. We shall be researching different types of Architecture before sketching our own and eventually creating our own Georgian model. In DT, we shall be designing, creating and evaluating musical instruments made from recycled materials. We shall also visit Ashton CSC each Wednesday morning to take part in Textiles sessions.