# **Galaxy Class Newsletter**

# **Spring**

# **Welcome back Galaxy Class!**

Welcome back to the new school year! We hope you all had a great Christmas break.

## **Reminders**

Please make sure your child has the following in school every day:

- Reading book
- Water bottle
- Wellies and rain coat
- Change of clothes

# **Class Dojo**

Please check Class Dojo regularly, this is how we contact parents and send messages regarding events.

## **Continuous Provision**

As the children are now in the Upper Key Stage 2 class, continuous provision will still be present in the classroom, but on a reduced scale in the form of learning challenges.

#### PE

PE is on Wednesday. Some children may have PE on a different day and you will be told this on Class Dojo. Please ensure you child comes in their PE kit on those days. Swimming is on Thursday and you will be informed if your child will be swimming this term.

# **Curriculum**

# **English**

This term, we will be using a Talk Programme and the story The Green Children as part of our folk tales unit. We will also write instructions and persuasive letters.

#### **Maths**

We will be learning:
Decimals and tenths
2D and 3D shape
Roman numerals
Rounding
Different strategies for calculations
Fractions
Statistics

# **History**

In History, we will be learning about Local Tudors. This includes exploring the local area for evidence from Tudor times.

# **Geography**

We will be learning about water, climate and weather. This includes: the water cycle, understanding rain fall and what affects weather and climates.

#### **Science**

In science, we will looking at electricity. This includes: recapping electrical circuits, the impact voltage has on a circuit, solving problems with circuits and building a set of traffic lights.

After half term, we will look at living things and their habitats. This includes: understanding the life cycles of the following: plants, mammals, insects, amphibians, birds and reptiles. We will explore the amazing work done by Sir David Attenborough.

#### **Art/DT**

In art, we will be looking at drawing. We will explore the creative process, print making, sketching and making improvements.

In DT, we will be looking at micro-bits and using these to create a timer.

# **Computing**

Hardware investigators – we will be learning about the physical parts of a computer.

Online safety – we will learn about phishing, malware, plagiarism and screen time limits.

#### RE

What might Hindus learn from stories about Krishna? We will be learning about stories which contain symbolic language, the Story of Prahlad and Holika, and the festival Holi. After half term, our question will be: What do we mean by a miracle? We will be learning about miracles from the Bible and pilgrimage.

# **Reading Lessons**

This term, we will continue with whole class reading lessons. The children will have text read to them/read it themselves and answer comprehension questions about the text. This will include stories, poems, non-fiction etc. to expose the children to a range of genres.

#### Music

We are using a new scheme for music and will explore the following units and lessons:

- Pentatonic scale
- Writing and performing a pentatonic melody
- Forming group compositions

#### **PSHE**

This term we will be learning about respecting others and stereotypes, change and loss and health in all areas. We will also learn about being safe online, first aid and puberty.

### **Contact Us**

If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to speak to us at the end of the school day or send a message on Class Dojo.

Miss Lemon