



# Warton St Paul's

Church of England Primary Academy

A member of **CDARI**

## Opal Class Summer One Newsletter

Welcome back to school for another fabulous half term.

Our theme this half term is **Ticket to Ride!**

We will be learning about different vehicles and how they work. We will be travelling around the world and comparing other places with where we live.

Please check the school website and our class page for updates and photos during the half term.

<https://wartonstpauls.co.uk/classes-curriculum/class-pages/opal-reception>

### RE

This half term in RE we will be learning about Special People and Special Places.

#### *Key Questions*

*Where is your special place?*

*Why is it special?*

*Why is the church a special place?*

*When do you visit your special place?*

*Who goes with you to your special place?*

*What makes a place a holy place?*



### Personal, Social and Emotional Development

Our theme this half term is **Me and my relationships**. We will be thinking about what makes each of us special, who our special people are and people who can help us in our community.

#### Physical Development

Mr Evans will be teaching PE for us every Tuesday Afternoon and Friday Morning.

**On these days children can come to school in PE clothes - a white t-shirt, black joggers or leggings and a black hoodie or school jumper. Trainers are allowed to be worn on these days.**

#### Communication and Language

Our focus this half term will be "What happened?" We will be talking about events that have happened in the past. We will be retelling stories and using pictures to help us.

#### Literacy - Reading

We will be embedding our learning in Phase 3 and starting Phase 4 Phonics. This is where we begin to read longer words with consonant blends and two and three letter sound blends.

Please read every night and write a comment in their reading journal. Children are read with most days at school as well.



### **Literacy - Writing**

We will be continuing with dough disco and funky fingers activities to strengthen the muscles in our hands for writing.

We will be learning to form lowercase and capital letters correctly and using these in our sentences. We will be continuing to work on writing a sequence of sentences to describe or form a narrative. We will be practising using tricky and high frequency words in our writing and spelling these correctly.

### **Maths**

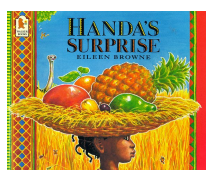
We will be consolidating our learning about number bonds to 10. We will be beginning to look at numbers to 20 and beyond. We will be partitioning numbers and finding different ways to make each of them. We will be looking at addition and subtraction to 20. We will be learning about money and the value of each note and coin. We will also be looking at shapes and patterns.



### **Understanding the World**

We will be reading Handa's surprise to learn about another country. We will be looking at different modes of transport and comparing this to transport in the past.

We will be looking at simple maps of where we live and compare our homes to others around the world. Finally we will be finding out people who have been to space and their adventures in space.



### **Expressive Art and Design**

We will be designing and making junk model vehicles. We are going to explore and label the different features of vehicles to use when designing and making our own.



### **Home-School Partnership**

#### **Things to remember to bring to school every day**

Book bag, reading record and book, water bottle and a change of clothes (where needed).

#### **Daily Home Learning**

School reading book to be read every night and journal signed by an adult.

#### **Weekly learning journey book looks**

Parents will be invited into the classroom on a Friday just before the end of the day to look through your child's learning journey with them.

#### **Half Termly Home Learning**

Each half term your child will receive some different open-ended project tasks to be completed by a given date. The projects will be based on the topics we are doing in class and will be designed so that they can be completed together.

And finally ... The education of your child is a partnership between you and us. Please contact us if you have any worries or concerns about your child or feel there is something we need to be aware of. If you cannot see us at school, we can be contacted via the school office.

Here's to a great half term!  
Mrs Fisher