

# Year 1 Newsletter Autumn 1 2024



## All Different – All Equal





### Year 1 Cedar and Hazel Class

Mrs Malik, Miss Ramsay and the Year 1 Team





# Our topic this half term is Why live in a house like this?



## **English**

Our class text this half term is 'There's no dragon in this story'. We will be creating some missing posters to help us find missing fairy tale characters before moving on to create our own version of the story to add to a class book. We will be working hard on our letter formation and handwriting as well as using our capital letters, finger spaces and full stops.

#### History/Geography

Our big question is 'Why live in a house like this?' We will be looking at the geography of Yorkshire focusing on Skipton in particular. We will be finding out about Skipton Castle and the different people who live in castles.

PE - (Please come in PE Kits on Monday and Thursday) In PE, we will be learning basic skills to help us send and receive a ball. We would also learn to attack, defend and shoot.

#### RE

Our big question this half term is 'Who is Jewish and how do they live?'. We will explore the Jewish faith and its traditions. We will then collate our learning on the subject and present this in a faith assembly to the whole school. Look out for the date on the weekly newsletter!

#### Music

Our focus within Music will be to learn a Hip Hop song.

Within this we will learn important skills such as how to listen and appraise a song.

#### Homework

Weekly spellings will be sent home every Wednesday to be learnt for the following week. The spelling test will be on a **Wednesday**. Along with this, 'Learn by Hearts' will be sent home- these are crucial Maths facts and will also be tested on a Wednesday. We will also issue topic-based homework every half term - within the homework folder, there are suggested projects that your child could undertake.

#### Maths

This half term, we will focus on place value up to 20. We will practise counting forwards and backwards to 20, whilst continuing our work on number formation.

We will learn how to count in 2s, 5s and 10s using a range of equipment and methods.

#### Science

Our area of focus this half term is to understand the human body and what each basic part does. We will also be looking at and investigating the 5 different senses.



# Design Technology

In Design Technology, we will be designing and creating our very own castles complete with an opening drawbridge!

#### **PSHE**

In PSHE, we will be focusing on our health and well-being by discussing what we can do to help us to stay healthy. This will include looking at healthy eating, exercise and also our mental well-being.

#### French

In French, we will be learning some basic greetings, such as, hello and goodbye.

#### Reading

Within Computing, we will be

exploring the different types of

technology around us and their

Computing

uses.

Please keep reading anything and everything as well as your school reading book. In school, we will listen to your child read at least once a week. We would be grateful if you could read with your child at home as often as possible. Please ensure that your child's reading book and reading record are in school every day.

# Important Notice Please only send your child into school with water to drink; this must be in a clear water bottle and ensure all clothing is named.