

# Year 1 – Spring 1

## Literacy

In Literacy we will be;

- Reading instructions for playing games and playing with toys
- Recognising the features of instructions such as headings, numbers, time connectives and bossy verbs (Imperative)
- Writing instructions for playing games using these features
- Reading and writing recounts and using time connectives and joining words in our recounts



## Geography/History

In History this half term, we will:

- Look at Toys from the Past
- Talk to our families about toys that they played with
- Learn about how they were made and played with
- Explore the materials used in toys long ago
- Explore how toys were made for boys, girls

## Computing

In our ICT work this half term we will be;

- understand what algorithms are, how they are implemented as programs on digital devices, and that programs execute by following precise and unambiguous instructions
- create and debug simple programs



## At Home

Please help your child to look out for instructions on their toys and games and see if they can notice any features of this type of writing.

In Numeracy help then use 10 objects to create pairs of numbers which total 10, then 20– can they learn these?

Ask Grandparents about their favourite toys when they were young and how toys have changed since then.

Continue to work with reading and the online phonics games given to you at our meeting earlier in the year.

## Numeracy

In Numeracy we will focus on;

- Deepening our understanding of numbers to 20
- Solve addition and subtraction problems within 20
- Use resources such as Ten Frames, Counters and Part, Part Whole Models to represent these problems
- Explore repeating pattern
- Explore the properties of 2d Shapes

## Science

In Science this half term we will be;

- Playing with toys and recognising the forces used to make them move
- Investigating how forces can be used to change the speed and direction of an object
- Looking at forces around us such as wind, water and gravity
- Identifying the materials used for specific toys, such as those for babies and thinking about their properties

## PE

In PE this half term we will be;

- Developing our balancing skills on low apparatus
- Developing skills in Athletics as we run, jump and throw

## PSHE

We will be following our weekly 'Statement To Live By' including

- I can play, rest and pray each day
- I try to love others as I love myself
- I try to follow our school and classroom rules

## RE

Our RE topic for this half term is looking at Special People.

This topic will focus on the special people in our own lives and what makes them special and then looks at the special people who help in Mass as part of our Parish Family such as Eucharistic Ministers and Readers.

## Art, Design and Technology

- We will explore colour mixing through paint play
- We will explore using a range of tools
- We will paint on different surfaces
- We will work in the style of Clarice Cliff and Jasper Johns

## Music

In Music this half term we will be learning In The Groove, a song that was specially written for classroom use to teach children about different styles of music. This is a very easy song to learn and has been arranged in six different styles; Blues, Baroque, Latin, Bhangra, Folk and Funk. Each week we will look at a different style.