



# Summer 2019 1st Half Term - Year 1

We hope you have all had a lovely Easter holiday, and children have come back ready to learn! With the recent birth of Mrs Glaves' daughter, and the imminent arrival of Mrs Johnson's baby, there has been some new faces in Team Enchantment. Please help us welcome Miss Fancy to Meadow class and Miss Lee to Castle class. Miss Crawford-Smith is back from Team Woodland and working with Castle class again too.

# **English**

- ★ Descriptive Writing: The children will use their senses to explore and write about a variety of settings. We will build their range of descriptive vocabulary, particularly adjectives and interesting verbs.
- I can hear the murmuring of the icy water tumbling down the high waterfall
- ★ Reading: The children will be sharing and finding features of descriptions of characters and settings. They will also have daily reading sessions. Please continue to read frequently at home!
- ★ Phonics and Spellings: The children will continue to have daily phonics sessions to build on their knowledge. Home-based practice that is little and often is the key to success! Weekly spelling lists will continue to come home every Thursday.
- ★ The Year 1 Phonics Screening check takes place after half term. We were really pleased with the children's progress before the holidays. Please ensure you continue to practise the sounds set by your child's phonics leader each week.

### Maths

#### **★** Fractions

This term the children will be looking at recognising, finding and naming a half as one of two equal parts and a quarter as one of four equal parts of an object, shape or quantity. They will do this through practical application of using objects and shape to begin with before moving onto quantity of number. The children will connect halves and quarters to the equal sharing and grouping of sets of objects and to measures, as well as recognising and combining halves quarters as parts of a whole.

# **★** Data handling

We will also be looking at interpreting and construct simple pictograms, tally charts, block diagrams and simple tables as a form of collecting data. The children will be learning to ask and answer simple questions by counting the number of objects in each category and sorting the categories by quantity. They will then be looking at asking and answering questions about totalling and comparing categorical data.

# Experienceology Our Wonderful Selves



- ★ Science: During Science children will be learning about human bodies. They will engage in a variety of activities including drawing and labelling the body, using their senses to conduct an investigation while describing, comparing and sorting animals and humans.
- ★ History: Children will then be extending this science understanding through investigating medical innovations from the past. We shall be discovering how vaccinations have transformed our health and learning about Dr Edward Jenner's work with the smallpox vaccination.

#### Team Enchantment reminders for this half term

- ★ Please ensure your child has their full, labelled PE kit in school for the whole term.
  PE days: Castle: Tuesday & Wednesday Meadow: Wednesday & Thursday Treetops: Wednesday & Thursday
  Please make sure your child has a school jumper in school every day as some PE sessions will be outside.
- ★ To support our Science learning about the human body we would welcome visits from parents and carers who work in the medical field. Please speak to your child's class teacher if you feel you may be able to help.

#### Many thanks for your support ©

Miss Lee (Team Leader), Miss Fancy and Miss Hughes