



## Summer 2022 2<sup>nd</sup> Half Term - Year 1

We hope you all had an enjoyable half term and Jubilee weekend! The children were certainly ready to celebrate after all of the fun we had in our 'Schools Jubilee Week' before half term. The last half term is always really busy with transition activities, sports day and lots of end of year fun!

We'd like to take this opportunity to thank all of you for your ongoing support this year.

### English

★ **Fiction writing:** This term the children will continue to work on creative writing. They have learnt quite a bit now about how to describe settings using adjectives and we are really impressed with the extended writing that the children have done so far.

★ **Phonics** The children have learnt so many new sounds this year and they are really beginning to confidently apply their knowledge of these sounds when reading and writing. We have been teaching the children to add sound buttons to words to support them with reading accurately.

★ **Reading:** Many of the children are now having a go at completing some written comprehension activities during reading sessions. This consists of the children reading a short piece of text and then responding to questions relating to the text in full sentences. You can support with this at home by asking a few questions about what your child has read to you.

### Maths

#### ★ Time

This term we will be teaching the children how to tell the time. They need to have a broader understanding of time, including how many days there are in a week / year and will also need to be able to read an analogue clock. We will be introducing them to reading 'o'clock' and 'half past' times. Please encourage the children to have a go at reading clocks at home to consolidate this learning.

#### ★ Position and Direction

The children will learn how to describe movements, position and direction. This links closely with a computing topic we have already covered where the children programed 'Bee-Bots' to move in certain ways. The children will learn to use the language of whole, quarter, half and three-quarter turns. They will also begin to look at moving clockwise and anti-clockwise, linking this to their learning about telling the time.

### Rainforests

★ **Geography:** Our topic this term focuses heavily on Geography and will cover a range of geographical skills and knowledge.

The children will learn about features of a rainforest including the different layers of the rainforest and what animals are found there.

We will then move on to learning about where rainforests are located in the world and what different human and physical features are found in rainforests.

We will identify and compare different rainforests around the world and will also compare a town in a rainforest to Windsor.

★ **Science:** In science this term, the children are going to be learning about planting and the conditions that plants need to grow. We will have a go at planting some beans and cress.

★ **PSHE:** This term the children are learning about similarities and differences between themselves and their peers. They will be celebrating what makes them unique.

### Team Parkland reminders for this half term

- ★ **PE days: Chestnut:** Monday and Wednesday **Alder:** Monday and Thursday **Hazel:** Monday and Wednesday
- ★ Please ensure that your children come to school with a named school water bottle every day. With the weather hopefully beginning to warm up, please ensure that your child has a hat and is wearing sun cream when necessary.
- ★ Grown-ups in golden time – Friday 1<sup>st</sup> July

Miss Wright, Miss Browne, Miss Kearley and Miss Wells.