

With Christmas quickly approaching we will be learning some new Christmas songs to develop our music skills.

We will be exploring rhythm and musical accompaniments.

We will be learning to keep a regular beat during our djembes drumming session on a Wednesday afternoon with a specialist music teacher.



This term the children will be introduced to the game of cricket and learn the basic skills needed to play the game. In games we will be developing our hand eye coordination as we practice throwing and catching skills.

Children will need their P.E kit (shorts, tshirt & plimsolls) on a Tuesday and Wednesday and it can be kept in school all term.

#### Art / Design & Technology



During Art the children will be focusing on the inspirational artist Wassily Kandinsky. We will focus on his circles painting and the children will create their own circles painting using colours they have mixed themselves. In design and technology, the children will be designing and making photo frames. They will discuss and evaluate their work and make decisions about design and purpose.

## What can you do to help?

- Maths homework is issued in accordance with what has been taught in school that week. It will be sent home on a Wednesday and collected in on the following Monday. Topic homework will be issued half termly.
- Read with your child regularly, and encourage them to read out aloud using expression. Ask questions about the book they have read and make a comment in their reading record book at least five times a week
- Work with your child to enable them to become more confident at counting to 100 and writing numbers and digits to 20.
- Spellings are sent home on a Friday and you should practise these with your child in preparation for their test on the following Friday.



# Curriculum Information

Year 1 Autumn Term 2

Our Wonderful World



## Literacy

In Literacy this term we will be continuing to consolidate our knowledge of letter sounds and using these to read and spell words. We will also be learning to use letter names as well as sounds when spelling out words. The children will be writing sentences using interesting words and correct punctuation.

We will be learning about the features of non-fiction information texts and comparing and contrasting these with fiction texts. We will also be learning about songs and poems with pattern and rhyme. Please read lots of stories and poems at home together and talk about what you have read.



Although History is not our main focus this term we will be learning about our school and local area in geography and this will provide interesting cross curricular links to the history of Corbridge.



This term our topic is 'Out and About'. We will be transforming our role play area into a Tourist Information centre and we will be learning about our school and local area. We will be introduced to the concept of aerial perspective and compass points and we will also be learning how to draw and read maps.



This half term we will learn about every day materials. We will name and describe materials e.g. hard, soft, bendy, rigid, smooth, rough. Sort materials e.g. wood, plastic, wool, metal. The children will make predictions and carry out investigations e.g. floating & sinking, magnetic/not magnetic, waterproof, opaque & transparent.



This half-term, children will be learning:-**Number and place value** – Count to and across 100 - reading, writing, comparing and ordering numbers on a number line, finding one more and one less.

Addition and Subtraction- add and subtract numbers to 20, number bonds to 20 Measurement – telling the time Geometry- recognising and naming 2D shapes.

The children will learn to talk about the maths problems they are working on using the correct mathematical vocabulary and developing their explaining and reasoning skills.

They will use their maths skills across the curriculum, for example in Science and Geography activities.

### RE / PSHCE



We will be studying the story of The Bible this half term and how Christian beliefs come from the teachings of The Bible. We will centre our lessons around 'The Big Frieze' which is an illustration of The Bible timeline. Through this, we will look at Creation, Incarnation, Gospel and Salvation. We will also have a shared learning event with Year 2 in which we will learn about Advent and make Christingles to represent the importance of Jesus bringing light to the world.

In PHSCE we will learn about the symbol of the poppy as one of hope and remembrance and look at the qualities of a good friend.



This term the children will be learning about the importance of sequencing and become familiar with the term algorithm. They will learn to draw or write step by step instructions for simple tasks, such as making a sandwich. The children will be using simple apps and programs to reinforce their understanding of the term algorithm.