

The children will be continuing to learn to read and write using the 'Read Write Inc' phonics scheme, moving through the colour groups. In addition to this they will have separate English lessons focussed on writing, where we will continue to improve our handwriting, grammar and punctuation through writing a range of texts. These will include recounts, narratives, information texts, descriptions, poems and instructions.

Please help support the reading by ensuring your child has at least 4 reading opportunities with an adult each week; recording the title and date in the diary as evidence. We will check this progress regularly.

Swimming lessons will take place on a **Monday**, wear your swimming costume under your P.E. kit and make sure you have your swimming bag with you.

In P.E. on a **Tuesday**, we will be improving our gymnastics skills in the hall; please wear your P.E. kit on this day.

Throughout our Topics, 'The Gunpowder Plot' and 'The Great Fire of London', the children will be exploring events from a period in British History, through the use of appropriate questions and vocabulary.

In the second half of term in D.T., we will be exploring textiles by using a running stitch to join fabrics and decorate them. Also we will be undertaking a variety of Christmas crafts.

In Maths we will be looking at:
Place value and numbers,
addition and subtraction and
the properties of 2d and 3d
shape.

Lime Class

Autumn Term

2023

In Science, for the first half term, we will be learning about everyday materials and their properties. In the second half term we will be learning about the environment and how we can look after our planet by reducing, reusing and recycling.

We will develop our understanding of technology and how it can help us in our everyday lives. We will start to become familiar with the different components of a computer by developing keyboard and mouse skills. We will also consider how to use technology responsibly. Later in the term, we will experiment with tools used for digital photography.

During the first half term, we will be exploring the topic of 'Senses', making music using our voices and classroom instruments and developing our understanding of dynamics, duration, timbre, tempo, pitch and rhythm. After half term, we will create music linked to the 'Great Fire of London', using both Western and graphic notation and interpreting dynamic symbols. Through listening, we will begin to develop our knowledge and understanding of baroque music.

Our school values this term are: **Creativity** and **Peace**.

In RE, we will be asking the question: 'Why do people have different views about the idea of God?' At home you can help by taking time to explore the different views of God from Hindus, Christians, Muslims and Humanists. Discuss with your child some of the similarities and differences helping them to get ready to talk about these in the classroom respectfully with their peers.

In PSHE, we will be exploring ourselves and our relationships, discussing our emotions and the people who are important in our lives. We will also learn about personal safety and how to recognise risks, hazards and dangers, both at home and when out and about.