



## Save the Date

April

**Monday 13th April:** Return to School

**Tuesday 21st April:** Y1 Trip:- Wolverhampton Art Gallery

May

**Friday 1st May:** SCHOOL CLOSED

**Monday 4th May:** SCHOOL CLOSED

**Friday 22nd May:** Break Up- NORMAL TIMES

June

**Monday 1st June:** SCHOOL CLOSED

**Tuesday 2nd June:** Children Return to School

### English

This term, we will continue to read a range of quality texts to develop pleasure in reading and improve our comprehension skills. The children have access to a wide range of stories from our class library, which they can enjoy throughout the school day. We will be learning about stories with familiar settings, focussing on the use of the conjunction 'and', when retelling a story. We shall also be focussing on letter writing, and looking at the features that are needed when writing a formal letter. We will continue to focus on full stops, capital letters and finger spaces during both of these units.

**Art** In Art we shall be learning about weaving. The children will be learning fibre art skills such as plaiting, threading, knotting and weaving to create three-dimensional woven artworks inspired by artist Cecilia Vicuña

**DT:** In Design and Technology, we shall be learning about puppets. The children will learn about different joining methods and shall create their own hand puppets, based on their own designs.

**Music** As musicians, we will be studying pitch and tempo. We will identify high and low notes and use this knowledge to compose a simple tune that represents a superhero. We will listen to different pitches, recognising the difference between high and low sounds.

**Religious Education** We will talk about a variety of different stories from different religious texts, discussing their meaning and what they mean to followers of those religions. This will include the stories 'The Kind Samaritan', 'Jesus in the Temple' and the birth of Christ.

**Computing** On Purple Mash this half term, we will be creating animated story books, using what we have learnt in English to create a story, and then animating pictures to accompany our text. We shall also explore the use of sound effects.

### Geography

Our Geography unit this term is a Continent study of Africa, focussing on Kenya.

This will include the children learning where Kenya is in the world, what Kenyan cities and countryside are like, what it is like for children in Kenya, and the animals that live on the safaris.

The children will be learning about this information with the aim to answer the question:

**'How would our lives be different if we lived in Kenya?'**

**Believe, Grow,  
Succeed... To be  
the best 'me' I can**

### Maths

The children shall continue to learn about Place Value to 50, looking at the tens and ones within a number. We shall learn about multiplication and division, counting in 2's, 5's and 10's. This will tie into our future learning of fractions, which will mainly focus on finding a half and a quarter of both shapes and quantities. We shall also start learning about simple positions and direction, using vocabulary such as 'left, right, forwards and backwards', and shall be learning about 'Length and Height', using non-standard and standard (cm's) units of measurement when measuring objects.

### Science / STEM

During the Summer term, children will continue to focus on how the seasons change and how we can stay safe as we come into the summer months. We shall also be looking at the unit 'Plants', identifying common plants in our local area and naming the main parts of a plant. We shall also look at each part's basic function.

**PE / Games** Within PE and Games, children will be engaging in Athletics, in preparation for Sports Day. This will include running short and long distances, skipping and throwing and catching. The children will also be developing their teamwork skills whilst engaging in these activities.

**PSHE** We will continue to learn about how to stay healthy in our 'Happy and Healthy Me' unit, which covers the importance of sleep and why personal hygiene is so important. We shall also cover how to stay safe in the sun and how allergies can affect different people

**British Values Focus:** Individual Liberty **Birches Values Focus:** Honesty