# Year 1

# Spring 2

#### **West End Wanderers**

# **English**

Our three text drivers this half term are stories that link to the overall topic of West End wanders.

To begin the summer term, we will be focusing on the text 'The Day the Crayons came Home'. We will be writing a postcard from a piece of equipment in our classroom.

Our second text driver 'Last stop on Market Street' will be used for the last two writing journeys. Our first journey using this text will be writing a setting description about a landmark in West End. The second journey will be a recount of a walk around West End.

# **Spelling and Phonics**

We are continuing to focus on our next sounds and 'special friends' in our phonics groups through our phonic program Read, Write Inc.

Alongside our phonics program, we continue to focus on special friend in class phonics and spellings linked to their taught sounds are sent home to practise via SeeSaw.

## Reading

This term, we will continue to read as part of the RWI phonics program. We will also be reading a variety of book through the Talk through Stories RWI program. Inference, vocabulary, prediction and retrieval are reading focuses for this term.

#### **Reading at Home**

We have been finding so many times and places where we can practise our reading around us. Reading 'little and often' is the best way to keep motivation and enjoyment going at home. Will you achieve a 'reading milestone' certificate this half term?

## Handwriting

We will continue practising lowercase letters, ensuring they begin and end at the correct points and sit on the line. Keep up your fun practise at home!





#### **Maths**

#### Mass and Volume

To begin the term, we will focus on mass and volume. Within practical and hands on lesson we will be understand how to measure and compare both mass and volume and understand when something in heavier and lighter and full and empty.

#### Place Value (Up to 50)

We will build on the place value concepts that we learnt with numbers up to 20, 1 more and 1 less, estimating and using number lines and part whole models.

#### Multiplication and division

We will be counting in 10s, 20s and 5s using concreate materials to being the unit. We will then recognise and add equal groups using arrays and identify doubles.

## **About the Topic!**

Out topic focus this half term is all about being a West End Wander. We will be exploring the local area and using our geographic and writing skills to instil an interest and love of their local area.

# Geography

Our focus in Geography is using mapwork and fieldwork to explore our local area of West End. With our local walk, we will learn what it is like in our local area, the significance of it and compare the types of jobs and house in the area.

## Science

I am a botanist

I study plants

This half term, we will be asking the big question: How do plants get what they need to survive? To answer this question we will identify and name a variety of wild, garden flowers and trees. We will also understand what plants need to survive and how seeds produce roots to allow water to get into the plants.

## **ICT**

#### **Technology in our lives**

We will be recognizing way that technology is used in the home and community such as taking pictures, blogs and shopping.

# Wider Curriculum Community

As part of our science unit, we will grow a variety of flowers and plants. These will be donated outside of school to our local community.

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Where are we?

#### **Enrichment Opportunities**

We will be inviting a local member of our community to tell us all about a part of the local community that is important to them .

#### Vocabulary

Fieldwork, journey, observe, plants, survive

## **Taking Risks!**

As part of our geography and English units we will be walking around our local area of West End. We will discover the amazing features and treasures in our local area.

## PE

For this half term learning through sport will
focus on athletics
ready for sports day
and class teachers
will working on our
fitness through exercise and breathing.

#### R.E

#### Gospel

This half term our focus is around the gospel and what good news Jesus brought.
This will be taught through our RE cycle and use specific vocabulary.

## **PSHE**

#### Being my best

Our focus in PSHE this half term is being my best. We will be exploring heathy eating and eating well, positive attitudes through praise, riding a bike and what we can do about illnesses.

#### Food for Thought!

What significant features are in our local area?

What amazing thing can be found in our local area?

What plants and flowers grow in our local environment.