



Battlefield Primary School  
Primary 1b Class Newsletter



Session 2023-24

Term 2

Literacy:

Phonics - We are continuing to work through the initial sounds and starting to apply our knowledge of these to support us as we read and write.

Reading - Our focus will be on Skills for Reading including predicting, summarising, illustrating etc. We will also be completing simple comprehension tasks relating to our reading books.

Writing - We will have a go writing a sentence using our knowledge of sounds and understand that a sentence needs a capital letter, full stop and finger spaces between words.

Talking and Listening - In preparation for our Nativity Performance we will practise speaking in a loud, clear voice and listening carefully to others.

French - We will learn the days of the week and numbers to 10 and will use this knowledge to state our age and birthday.

Numeracy and Mathematics:

We will begin to explore addition through learning our number bonds to 10 and/or 20 using a variety of strategies and concrete materials. We will extend our counting forwards to 30 and backwards from 20. We will begin to justify our answers and develop our numeracy vocabulary during Chat That Counts and will develop an understanding of what half means.

We will be looking at the properties of common 2D shapes and will be able to name them. We will use the language of positioning and turning to talk about where something is and to give directions.

Health and Wellbeing:

Our focus will be Social Wellbeing. We will celebrate our uniqueness, contribute to making our school and class a welcoming environment and reflect on our own personal learning journey and that of our peers. We will explore the attributes of a good friend and develop our independence in solving problems that occur when playing.

**Our gym days this term will be Thursday and Friday.** In P.E. we will be developing our skills in dance in preparation for our P1 Christmas Party. We will travel, turn, jump, gesture, pause and fall safely.

### Social Studies:

We will be investigating the history of our local community and examining different types of evidence, thinking about what this can tell us about the past. We will compare and contrast items from the past with the present and will take a closer look at how people lived many years ago. **If you have any artefacts/photographs/information about the history of Battlefield we would love to hear from you - please do get in touch!**

### Expressive Arts:

Art - Our focus will be the visual element of line and we will use this in both observational and imaginative drawings.

Music - We will develop basic performance techniques - confidence, concentration, following a leader - as we practise our songs for the Nativity Performance.

Drama - We will use actions, facial expressions and movement as we participate in rehearsals for our Nativity Performance.

### Science:

Our focus will be electricity and its importance in our daily lives. We will understand why it is dangerous, how to stay safe and simple energy transformation i.e. electrical to light/heat/sound.

### Technologies:

We will examine everyday technology and consider the impact it has on our daily lives. We will compare technology use past and present and be introduced to a number of iPad apps to document and enhance our learning experiences.

### R.M.E.

We will be exploring Jewish festivals and celebrations such as welcoming a baby and Hanukkah.

