

**Battlefield Primary School** 

# Primary 1c Class Newsletter



## <u>Literacy:</u>

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 Winter Show 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 continue to explore and use concrete materials to represent numbers to 10 and beyond. We will extend our understanding of the part-part-whole model and its role in addition with a focus on number bonds to 10. 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 pattern and symmetry and will use the changing world around us to explore these concepts.

## Health and Wellbeing:

Our focus will be Physical Wellbeing and Food and Health. We will identify foods that can keep us healthy and handle and taste new foods. We will explore how to stay safe in school and extend our understanding of road safety. 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 on a Tuesday and a Thursday**. In P.E. we will be developing our skills in dance in preparation for our P1 Christmas Party. We will travel, turn, jump, roll, gesture, pause and fall safely.

## Social Studies:

We will be exploring People in Society, Economy and Business and will explain how different people help us in our local community. We will identify how local services provide a role in our community and will visually represent our new knowledge and understanding. If you have any expertise within this field and could spare some time to talk to Primary 1 we would love to hear from you. We are also always looking for volunteers for roles within the school. Again, if this is something that interests you and you have some time then please get in touch!

#### Expressive Arts:

Art - We will develop the skill of printing and will also use this to enhance our maths work on pattern and symmetry.

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

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

## <u>R.M.E.</u>

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

## School Reading Books:

Children will receive their homework reading book on a Monday or a Tuesday. Please read every night with your child for a short time. Take time to explore the sounds, sounding out their new words and blending together. Once your child is more confident you can ask simple questions about the book to develop comprehension. Books must be returned every day to allow your child to work with their book in class.

#### School Library

We will visit the school library every Tuesday. Children can independently choose a book to take home, and swap it for another once they have returned the first. Please return before the next Tuesday visit to the library.