



# PLAINS FARM ACADEMY

## YEAR 1 NEWSLETTER

### Spring Term - 2019



#### LITERACY



We are going to continue to develop our Literacy through reading, role play, planning, drafting and writing a range of fiction and non-fiction texts. We will explore a variety of texts, linked to the class topic where possible including: dinosaurs and Mary Anning.

#### MATHS

In maths lessons we be continuing to develop our number knowledge and skills to solve problems.



We will begin focussing on place value (numbers to 100). We will also be practicing our multiples of 2, 5 and 10.

For the remaining time we will be focusing on multiplication and division as well as revisiting fractions.

#### Science

During Science lessons we will develop our knowledge of animals including humans. We will be learning about the different ways to group animals based on what they eat. These are herbivores, carnivores and omnivores.

#### Geography

Our geography this term we are going to develop our map reading skills to look at the World. We will be locating the seven continents along with the seas surrounding them.

#### PE

We will be focusing on basic movement and coordination skills. We will also be introducing some basic ball control skills.

#### History

In history. We are learning about significant individuals from the past. We are studying Mary Anning, who was a palaeontologist and was famous for discovering dinosaur fossils.

#### Art

In art, we are focussing on 3D sculptures. We will be studying the work of artists who use clay and will be making our own clay dinosaurs.

#### Computing

We are continuing to practice our basic computing skills learning each part of the computer. We will also be using a programme called 'Purple Mash' to practice our typing skills

#### Music

We will continue develop our singing and rhyming skills. We will be using a scheme named Charanga, which provides the children with a range of musical genres.

#### RE

We will explore the religion of Christianity and begin to understand the celebration of

#### Reminders

- P.E is now on a Thursday afternoon so P.E kits are needed (change of clothes and training shoes).
- Homework is sent out on a Friday and is to be returned on a Wednesday, any homework not returned by the Wednesday will not be marked. Each week children will receive a Maths and Literacy homework linked to the previous week's learning.
- Spellings are handed out with homework on a Friday and will be tested the following Friday.
- Please label all your child's clothes with their name—it always makes it easier to locate lost items of clothing at the end of a school day.
- Please keep us up to date with who will be collecting your child from school each day by updating your named adult list kept in school.
- Do come and speak to us at the end of a school day or by phone if you have any questions or concerns.
- Please ensure your child is in school on time everyday.