

### Knowledge and Understanding of the World

In RE we will be learning to retell the Christian creation story and explore how this influences how Christians behave towards nature and the environment. We will then be reflecting on the Christmas story. In Computing we will learn how to program floor turtles, offline and online, through giving instructions. We will also learn how to use the internet safely to play and learn. This will also include how to identify where to go for help and support when the children have concerns about content or contact on the internet or other online technologies.

In Science we will be describing different types of weather associated with each season and the changes this brings. Planning different types of scientific enquiries to answer questions and controlling variables where necessary will be an important part of our learning. In History, we will be focusing on significant people from the past that have had an effect on British Values and Equal Rights, starting with Emily Davison and Rosa Parks.

Welcome to Magpies' curriculum page. Throughout terms 1 and 2, our topic will be '**Multicultural Me**' with a focus on developing an awareness of religious tolerance and understanding. Any family members who would like to be involved in sharing experiences of their culture with a class would be very welcome. We have planned a European Day of Languages (25<sup>th</sup> Sept) and our Harvest Festival (9<sup>th</sup> Oct). Home learning will be sent home on a Wednesday and needs to be completed and returned on Mondays. PE will be on Monday and Thursday so please ensure that PE kits are in school on those days. Don't forget that Good Learning assemblies will now be on Friday afternoon (2.30pm).



### Creative Development

In Art, we will be focusing on creating portraits. We will be developing painting and drawing skills. We will also be learning to mix primary colours to make secondary colours and use these to help improve our painting skills. We will also be looking at what happens when we add white or black to a colour. We will also be learning about the work of a range of artists. In DT we will be preparing, weighing, measuring and cooking ingredients. The children can practise these skills on our trip to Wagamamas. We believe that cooking is a crucial life skill that enables children to feed themselves and others now and in later life.

In Music we will be developing skills in rhythm and pitch through song, games and composition.

### Maths

Our main focus in term 1 will be on place value, addition and subtraction and shape. In term 2 the children will begin to learn their tables, develop understanding of how division and multiplication are linked. They will develop understanding of fractions also. Practising our next steps will help develop quick recall of important number facts. Using our maths learning to solve problems and choosing different mental strategies to find an answer will be an important part of our learning. Mathematics is a wonderful resource to help with your mathematical learning so please use this as often as possible.

## Multicultural Me



### English

Throughout terms 1 and 2 we will be writing sentences using our sounds to help us spell. We will also be looking at how punctuation and vocabulary can help us to improve our writing.

We will be covering different genres including poetry, stories with familiar settings and information texts. Opportunities to develop speaking and listening skills through drama activities and poetry performances will be included.

### Physical Development

We will have weekly Gymnastics lessons in which we will learn how to develop our control when travelling and balancing on and off different apparatus. Also, we will have Multi skills on Monday afternoons. In term two, Dance lessons will focus on creating different movements and performing short sequences to our peers.

### Personal, Social, Emotional Development

Term 1's unit is 'Our Happy School' and the children will be establishing ground rules, getting to know each other better and celebrating our differences. In term two, during our 'Out and About' unit we will focus on how to develop responsibility for being safe in various situations.