

# Year 1 Newsletter

**Topaz Teacher: Mr Sonnex**

**Garnet Teacher: Mr Baker and Mrs Haybourne**

**Teaching Assistants: Mrs Musha and Mrs Schreur**

## Curriculum information

Our topic in Term 2 is

### 'Lets celebrate!'



In **English**, the children will practise their phonic skills in a daily phonics session. They will develop their sentence writing and their awareness of finger spaces, full stops and capital letters. There will also be a big focus on handwriting.

In **Maths**, we will be thinking about numbers up to 20, adding and subtracting them as well. We will also be looking at 2D and 3D shapes.

Our **Topic**, which will link our learning together, is about celebrations. We will be looking at different celebrations that are celebrated around the world including Diwali, Thanksgiving and Christmas.

We are also focusing on our Nativity W/B 23rd November. More information will follow regarding this but our aim is to film the nativity and combine it into one big film throughout Key Stage 1.

The children will learn about belonging to different groups such as family, school, etc. We will learn how we need rules to keep us safe and happy and how we look after each other. We will be thinking about how the school's new rules 'Be Ready, Be Kind, Be Safe' apply to us.

## Reading

The children will continue to engage in Reading sessions—both whole class and individually. We will be checking the reading folders every day, and changing books when children have read at home with their parents. Those that don't get a chance to read with their parents will be supported to read with adults in the classroom. However, it is important to remind you that regular reading sessions with their grown ups will have a fantastic impact on the progress that your children make. Please read with them as much as you can. Every child in the class will be read with at least once a week by an adult in the class.



## P.E Tuesday

PE is now on a Tuesday.

Due to Covid, please could you ensure your child comes to school in their P.E kit (white T-shirt and red shorts). We will be doing PE in the hall.

Please could you also remove earrings on these days for health and safety reasons.



## Nativity!

As we know, the Nativity is going to look a little bit different this year. Rehearsals are well under way so as soon as we know costume requirements, we will be in contact with you.



## How can you help at home?

**Listen to your child read as much as possible and share other books with them. After reading a book ask your child questions about the story to build their comprehension.**

**Support your child with their homework each week. Homework will be on seesaw.**

### Water Bottles

Please could you ensure that your child brings a named drink bottle to school each day, to have in the classroom. This should contain water only, no juice or squash please.



## Online Safety

This term we have set some online safety rules to use in class and at home. This is especially important as we have been completing a lot of online learning.

The children know that if they see anything online that makes them feel worried, then they should tell a trusted adult and ask them to help.

