

## General Information

**PE** - Our PE lessons will be on Wednesdays. Children will need to come into school on this day in suitable outdoor P.E. kit, including appropriate footwear. During these sessions, we will be developing our athletic skills. Please remember to remove earrings on P.E. days and ensure long hair is tied back and all kit is named.

**RE** - This term, we will learn about the people, places and symbols that are special to Christians and Sikhs and compare these to our own lives in order to deepen our own spiritual understanding.

**Spellings** - These will continue to be tested on a Tuesday. Challenge your child to correctly say and/or write a sentence using these spelling words.

**Times Tables** - By the end of Year 2, all children are expected to be able to recall their 2, 5, 10 and 3 times tables. Please send times tables books in on a Thursday.

**Reading** - Regular home reading is so important. Please read a little each night and encourage your child to talk about what they have read. Ask them different recall and inference questions about the text and discuss the definition of words that they may be unsure of.

Thank you for your continued support with reading and the learning of spellings and times tables. It really does help your child to progress.

Please contact me via the School Office, if you have any questions.

Miss Bennett

## LIONEL WALDEN PRIMARY SCHOOL



## LINK-UP SUMMER TERM 2021

Year 2 - Miss Bennett

# English

In English, we will continue to explore a range of different texts and use these as a stimulus for different writing opportunities, such as instructions, explanations, narratives and 'Wanted' posters writing character descriptions. We will look at shape poetry, using calligrams (a poem arranged in a way that creates a visual image) and look at how the shape can represent the subject of a poem. Children will be taught how to apply their growing understanding of prefixes (letters at the start of a word) and suffixes (letters at the end of a word) by building on root words they have already learned. Children will continue to use punctuation, such as commas, exclamation marks and capital letters correctly, writing consistently in either the past or present tense. We will also be looking at more interesting ways to open our sentences.

# Mathematics

In Mathematics, we will develop our mathematical understanding of number and place value. We will continue to look at different methods to solve problems involving addition, subtraction, multiplication and division. We will be looking at different units of measures. As we learn about fractions, the children will recognise, find, name and write fractions. This will include fractions of length, shape, objects and quantity. Children will continue to have a rapid recall of the 2, 5, 10 and 3 times tables. They will be encouraged to apply these to word problems and show their working out. One of the most valuable things you can do is talk to your child about their mathematical learning. Ask them what they have been learning and encourage them to explain.

# Our Curriculum

## Topic

Our topic this term is '**Castaway**'. As geographers, we will identify and name the seven continents and five oceans of the world. We will use different types of maps to answer questions. We will study the points of a compass and use these to navigate the local area! We will imagine our own fantasy islands and create maps using geographical vocabulary and symbols. As historians, we will learn about famous and infamous pirates from the past. We will find out about life as a pirate, including the golden rules, the different roles of shipmates and how they survived.

## Science

As scientists, we will find out and describe how plants need water, food and light to grow and stay healthy. We will use our scientific skills to observe, identify and classify to help us answer questions and record data. We will investigate what plants need to grow and discover which plants are edible. We will learn about the importance of hygiene when preparing food and investigate the importance for humans of eating the right amount of different types of food (a balanced diet). Throughout the term, we will use our senses to observe seasonal changes and how this affects our weather, plants and other living things.

**International Week** - During International Week, we will study the country of Germany and make comparisons between Germany and England. We will look at the flag and its meaning, sample traditional food, research different artists and study famous landmarks.