

### Reading and Writing

We have slightly adapted how we approach the teaching of Reading and Writing in KS1. We now teach a short phonics session every day where the children attend their Read Write Inc group, but the main teaching consists of Guided Reading. The children complete spelling, grammar, punctuation and writing activities across the week and this has had an incredible impact on the children's confidence with both reading and writing.

### PSHE/RE

- This term we will be discussing how Christians worship
- Safety contexts including safe spaces to play, and how to conduct ourselves safely when we are out and about

### Art and Design, DT

- Papier mache hot air balloons
- Hot air balloons using acrylic paint and string, shaving foam and bubble painting

### Mathematics

- Mentally adding and subtracting one and two digit numbers to 20
- Handling coins up to 20 pence and solving one step problems i.e.  $7p + ? = 10p$
- Recognising 3D shapes
- Describing movement i.e. clockwise and anti-clockwise



### History

- History of the first flight
- History of the first hot air balloon flight

### Computing – We Are Painters

- Using paint programme to create pictures of things that fly i.e. birds or planes/helicopters

### Science – Animals/Seasons (Summer)

- Birds and how they compare to other animals
- Bird spotting!
- How the season will change from Spring to Summer
- Can we make a teddy fly?

### Dates for your diary:

On **Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> May at 2.30pm** we would like to invite you to attend a paper aeroplane competition! Get practising your best origami skills, and join us on the playground.

Further details to come on a potential school trip this term – the children made a unanimous decision that they wanted to find out about birds, rather than visit Duxford, and as a result we are currently organising either a trip out to a bird sanctuary, or to invite a visitor in so we can see and handle owls and birds of prey. More details to follow soon!

The Year 1 Phonics Check will take place the week beginning **13<sup>th</sup> June 2016** and home learning this term will consist of practising sounds your child is unfamiliar with, as well as practise phonics checks. To be clear, we never use the word 'test' or 'check' with the children, they only ever see this as a special reading job with Mrs Burnham as a very familiar adult.

### PE

Please name **ALL PE kit, and have it in school EVERY day.**

**Any earrings MUST be removed or covered with plasters sent from home, otherwise children cannot take part.**