

### English

In English this half term we will continue using punctuation in our sentences. It is important that the children develop their confidence with punctuation and grammar in order for them to develop their writing skills. We will be reading fiction texts and the children will have the opportunity to write their own version of stories. We will also look at different poems and various rhyming words.



### Mathematics

In maths the children will continue with lots of number work. We will be looking at multiplication and division with 2s, 5s and 10s, fractions and time to name a few things we will be doing this half term. We will also continue counting objects, adding and subtracting numbers, solving word problems, forming numbers correctly and learning number bonds to 10 and 20. It is important the children are confident recognising amounts and numbers.



### Science

To half term the children will begin to identify and name a variety of animals including fish, amphibians, reptiles, birds and mammals. They will look at the different features and what would help them to identify and group the animals.



### Physical Education

In PE, the children will be developing their net and ball game skills. They will learn how to develop their skills with controlling a ball whilst moving and running. They will also be working on aim and how they can use a net during games.



## Ashfield Valley Primary School Year 1 Spring 1 Newsletter

Dear Parents/Carers

In Year One the children need to continue to work towards developing their confidence and becoming independent. This newsletter will give you an idea of all the different things that we will be doing this half term.

A few reminders:

- Please ensure children bring reading books to school every day.
- Please listen to your child read and write a small comment in the reading record. Also, ask your child questions from the book as this will help with their understanding.
- P.E. will remain on a Tuesday this half term. Please make sure your child has a P.E. kit that includes either pumps or trainers.
- Children will continue to receive spellings every week. Please help your child to learn these as we will continue to have a test on Thursday. Again, the number of spellings may begin to vary.
- The knowledge organisers sent home with this letter are to allow the children to learn facts at home alongside what they learn in school. These can be referred back to throughout the half term.
- In maths it is important that the children learn basic number skills. If you could practise counting in 2s, 5s and 10s and counting on using fingers and writing numbers to 100 with your child this will really help them to progress through the half term.

Thank you,  
Mrs Ward, Mrs Mines and Mrs Strudwick



### History and Geography

In Geography the children will learn about where in the world different people live. We will look at people and their communities. They will have the opportunity to discuss what it is like in their local area and they will compare this to what living on the coast or in the rainforest is like. We will also look at how buildings and places are different depending on where in the world they are.

### Art / Design & Technology

In Design and Technology, the children will be learning about structures and homes. They will be designing and making a structure of their own.

### Religious Education

In R.E, the children this term will be learning about Sacred Places. Through discussion and activities we will learn about Christianity and Islam and their beliefs about different sacred places and how they should look after them.

### RHE

The children will be learning about how to look after their bodies and ways in which they can stay healthy. The lessons will cover hygiene, healthy eating and physical activity.

### Computing

In computing, the children will be recapping algorithms and the importance of these. They will also be learning how to use the directional keys and other key skills.