

# WEST HADDON PRIMARY SCHOOL

Term 4

Year 1

### Welcome

We are looking forward to another busy and exciting term. Our play Eddie the Penguin Saves the World will be fantastic (we hope!) Our topic book for this term is 'Katie Morag'. We will be focussing on the story 'Katie Morag Delivers the Mail' and comparing the Isle of Coll with West Haddon.

I hope our Topic organiser gives you a clear idea of our learning intentions.

**Dates and Things to Remember** 

Costumes to be in on Thursday 12th March.

Production Tuesday 17th March 2 o'clock and 6 o'clock

Library slot for year 1 and 2 ( and siblings) after school on Mondays

PE days are Wednesday and Thursday.Reading books are changed on Mondays. Class library books are changed on Thursdays.Homework is issued on Fridays and handed in on Wednesdays. Spellings are issued on Fridays and tested the following Friday. Don't forget curriculum days.

### **Topic**

Our topic is geography based. We will identify West Haddon as a village and compare it with the Isle of Coll in the Hebrides of Scotland. We will look at both human and physical features using aerial photographs and maps. Our science will continue to look at seasonal changes with a focus on light and dark. In RE we will be learning about 'Salvation' and the importance of Easter to Christians. In DT we will design and sew a bag for Katie Morag. The ICT unit of work is called 'We are Story tellers' and we will be planning and recording an audio book. Our music will rehearsing the songs and dances for our play. In PE we will be focussing on gymnastics and games. Please ensure that your child always has a PE kit including appropriate outside foot wear, such as trainers, in school.

# Our Value for this month is Care

#### Maths

We will be continuing to work on place value and introducing the < and > signs. We will also focus on measurements, length and height, weight/mass and volume, capacity and volume. We will continue to build on our mental maths skills and problem solving techniques.

## **English**

Our literacy will be taught through our topic book and a specific reading, handwriting and phonics session each day will support this. We will be getting to know the characters in this book and using it to write our own stories. We will also focus on non fiction by finding out about The Isle of Coll and West Haddon. We will look at a range of 'Easter poems' and write our own acrostic poem. Your child will continue to bring home an Oxford Reading Tree book/s each week that will be changed on a Monday, I do not share these in school as we have some fabulous and varied books that we will base our reading sessions around. The ORT books will be for you to share at home together with a library book of your child's choice. Don't forget to also come and use the library on Mondays after school.



### Homework

Weekly homework will be reading, spellings and a page from the Maths and an English homework books that will be given out on Fridays with a page reference. Also the occasional request for information related to our topic.