# Spring Term in Year 1

Our themes this term are 'Muck, Mess and Mixtures' and 'Intrepid Explorers'.

# English

As writers, the children will be building upon their basic writing skills such as using finger spaces, full stops and capital letters. They will begin to use question and exclamation marks to punctuate sentences. They will learn to use the word 'and' to join sentences and clauses together. They will learn more about the use of prefixes and suffixes and how they change the meaning of words.

As readers, the children will continue to develop their reading skills through daily phonics lessons. They will practice their comprehension and understanding of texts through shared reading and daily story time.

# Mathematics

As mathematicians, the children will be developing their knowledge of numbers to 20 and they will develop their methods for addition and subtraction. They will learn about 2D and 3D shapes, and recognise them in their environment. They will learn about pattern, looking at size, orientation and colour. The children will compare length and heights, using mathematical language. They will then begin to measure objects.

# <u>P.E</u>

As athletes, the children will develop their gymnastic skills, focusing on a range of rolls, jumps and balance. They will join them together to make a sequence. They will continue to develop their gross motor skills.

## Music

As musicians, the children will use instruments to listen and respond to pieces of music. They will learn and perform a song and compose a short section of music. They will explore clapping along to the syllables of words and phrases before creating rhythmic patterns.

#### Theme

As artists, the children will learn about primary and secondary colours. They will use them to paint their own interpretation of Kandinsky's artwork. They will learn about artists and give their opinion on a variety of artwork.

As historians the children will learn about dinosaurs and significant people from the past such as Mary Anning.

As geographers the children will develop their map skills by looking at a variety of maps and using directional language. They will learn more about their local area and about the different types of places people can live in. They will identify continents and find out where the equator and North and South poles are.

#### Science

As scientists, the children will take part in a range of exciting experiments. They will learn how to carry out simple tests using equipment and make close observations. They will learn how to predict what they think will happen and

then evaluate the test. The children will observe changes across the four seasons. They will observe and describe the weather associated with the seasons and learn about how day length varies.

# Computing

In computing the children will become digital painters. They will develop their mouse and keyboard skills to make digital artwork. They will then become digital writers and use their keyboard skills to type different forms of texts.

### R.E

In R.E the children will learn what it means to belong in a faith community. They will learn about what makes some places sacred and learn about the Easter story.

## **PSHE**



In PSHE the children will learn about feelings and emotions. They will learn about how to look after their local environment. They will learn about safe secrets and special people in their life.