

# Curriculum Information

## Turrets and

### <u>Tiaras</u>

This term our topic is 'Turrets and Tiaras.' We will be starting



with stories set in an enchanted forest, before moving onto stories about castles, knights and dragons! You can find out what we will be reading each week in our 'This week in' newsletter.

#### **English**

The children will be learning letter recognition and letter names. They will be following Read, Write Inc Phonics to learn their sounds. They will then use their sounds to 'blend' words in order to read and write them. This will be done in a variety of different ways such as building words with letter blocks and using magnetic letters. We will use the stories we are learning about to support initial reading skills, such as recall and sequencing. The children will be exposed to a range of both fiction and non-fiction texts, including some poetry.

#### **Mathematics**

The children will be introduced to the basic concepts of maths such as number recognition, ordering, one-to-one correspondence, subitising, more than and addition. We will be using a selection of physical resources to help the children embed these concepts, as well as remember key vocabulary. Some of the vocabulary we will be learning is more, fewer, total and equals. Look out for an email with a video demonstration in a few weeks.

#### **Understanding the World**

#### The Natural World

We will be learning about the seasons and weather patterns. We will be taking part in a 'weather walk' to observe different weather patterns. We will be learn about the human body and draw pictures of our friends, focusing on key body parts such as the eyes, ears and nose. We will be learning about animals, starting with pets. We will be learning that animals eat different types of food and will then move onto learning more specifically about fish and birds.

#### **Past and Present**

We will be learning about castles and knights, focusing on castle life. We will use role play and will even be taking part in our own banquet! We will look at pictures from the past and be able to comment on the differences and similarities between past and present.

#### **People, Culture and Communities**

We will look specifically at different clothes from around the World and why people wear different clothes in different climates. We will then be learning about the tradition of Christmas and how it is celebrated around the World.

#### **Expressive Arts and Design**

This term, the children will be using different materials and skills to expand their learning in other areas. We will be learning how to use tools, including our hands, to manipulate materials to create something. We will learn about primary colours and what happens when we mix them. We will also be trying to recreate art using different shapes.

#### **PSED**

The children will be learning about

making good choices and the school routines. They will be learn to be a good friend, play co-operatively and take their friends' ideas into account when playing. They will also understand all the different ways in which they are special and valuable.

#### **Communication and Language**

The main skill we will be developing is listening and showing you are listening by looking at the person who is talking. We will also be developing our skills of speaking in a group, listening to someone else's idea and then responding and giving an opinion about a familiar topic. As we will be reading lots of different stories, we will be learning new vocabulary. We will also learn follow a story and then verbally sequence the events.

#### **Physical Development**

The children will be learning to dress and undress themselves for P.E. We will focus on developing both gross and fine motor skills through a range of activities. We will take part in physical literacy, which involves learning skills such as running in different directions with control and jumping forwards safely.

#### RE

We will be studying the three themes of Domestic Church (Family), Baptism and Birthdays.

