



# ST ANDREW'S C of E PRIMARY SCHOOL



## YEAR 1 SPRING TERM



### MATHS

How can you help at home?



- Count to 100 and back down to 0. (Start with 50 if 100 is a little bit too challenging).
- Understand the pairs of numbers that add to total 20 (15+5, 17+3).
- Count in 5s and 10s up to 100.
- Use your Mathletics login and complete activities.

Our cross curricular topic this term is:

### To the Edge of the World

We will:

Compare the lives and achievements of historically significant explorers from different time periods – Christopher Columbus and Neil Armstrong.  
Learn about humans and other animals, with a focus on Shackleton and survival in extreme conditions.  
Use collage to represent views 'through the porthole'.  
Design and build a small sledge to transport a teddy.  
Explore 'Dreams and Goals' in PSHE – including how to stay motivated when facing challenge.

### ENGLISH

All English work this term will link to our 'To the Edge of the World' topic.



- Stories inspired by 'Where the Wild Things Are' by Maurice Sendak.
- A writing unit based on the short film 'The Way Back Home'.
- Poetry inspired by Space.
- Grammar**– Capital letters, full stops, question marks and exclamation marks to demarcate sentences. Capital letters for names.

#### HOW CAN YOU HELP YOUR CHILD?

Children love adventure and find this topic really inspiring.  
Why not visit the library or look online to find out about the lives of other famous explorers.  
Go on your own mini adventures to new places – what do you see and discover?




### READING





Children make the best progress when they read with an adult at home every day (also share library books and longer novels as well as scheme books).

**PLEASE BRING BOOKS TO SCHOOL EVERY DAY – WE WILL HEAR CHILDREN READ AS OFTEN AS POSSIBLE.**


### COMPUTING

Children will begin to learn how to code using  code.org. They will also learn how to write algorithms and how to group and sort objects to answer questions about data.

### RE

   
Who is Jewish and how do they live? Children will begin to learn about the Jewish religion and will compare it to Christianity. We will also learn why Easter is important to Christians.

### MUSIC

  
We will focus on the theme of travel through music. We will develop our performance skills and learn songs about travel and transport from around the world.

**Phonics** is taught daily for at least 20 minutes. Every Friday, your child will have a set of spellings linked to the sounds they have been taught that week. Please ensure your child practises these regularly to embed the spelling patterns so they can write them confidently in independent tasks.

**HOMEWORK:**  
**SET ON FRIDAYS**  
**IN ON WEDNESDAYS**

**P.E DAYS ARE WEDNESDAY & FRIDAY**

(Please wear a St Andrew's P.E kit to school on those days)  
NAVY BLUE SHORTS or tracksuit bottoms and sweatshirt, WHITE T-SHIRT & TRAINERS.

