Dear Parents and Children,

Happy New Year and welcome back to another term!

I am hoping that everyone is feeling a little more settled, and ready for the new term. We have a very short term but lots of exciting learning to do.

I can't wait to see all you can achieve this term.

Mrs Theakston

History: Linking with our last topic, 'childhood', our new topic for this term is 'school days'. We will be learning more about our own school and locality, both today and in the past. We will compare schooling in the Victorian era to their experiences today and be researching Samuel Wilderspin, an important figure in the development of schooling in the Victorian era. They will learn to describe the passage of time through study of past, present and future tense vocabulary.

Computing: This term we will be learning how to make and find different files and creating a program on Junior Scratch.



PE: This term we will be practicing and learning gymnastics skills. We will be looking at different gymnastic positions such as straight, pike, straddle, tuck. We will be exploring at linking positions and different ways of travel. During this topic we will be developing flexibility, strength, technique, control and balance.

Maths: This term in Maths Year 1 will be exploring all different aspects to maths these include:

- Place value
- Money
- Addition & Subtraction
- Fractions
- Measures
- Multiplication



RE: In RE we will be exploring the question, What makes places sacred for different people? focusing on Christians and churches.

DT: Our project for this term teaches children about wheels, axles and chassis and how they work together to make a vehicle move. During the project children will be given an opportunity to design, make and evaluate their own moving vehicles.

Geography: Our main topic for this term is 'Bright Lights and Big cities'. In this topic the class will be learning about the physical and human characteristics of the United Kingdom, including a detailed exploration of the characteristics and features of the capital city, London.

English: This term, our focus text is, 'The Lion Inside'. We will be using this text to spark some of our own ideas to write a story about a small animal who befriends a large animal in the African savannah.



Art: Linking to our Science topic, this term in Art we will be learning about collagraph printing, including how to develop a motif to make single and repeated prints and will be using our skills to represent weather symbols.



PSHE: In PSHE we will be learning about people in the community and exploring what jobs people do.



Science: This term we will be learning about the seasons, seasonal changes and typical seasonal weather and events. We will learn about measuring the weather and the role of a meteorologist and begin to learn about the science of day and night and recognise that day lengths vary in the UK.

Music: This term in music Class 2 will be exploring the musical genre of Blues. The children will have opportunity to create their own music using instruments.