### **English**

We will be basing our English work around a picture book every half term and this half term our book is 'Pretty'. We will be writing lists, instruction texts, and diaries. We will be learning more about sentence structure, tense, adjectives, adverbs and sentence types to make our work interesting. This half term we will be focusing a lot on our presentation and handwriting and the children will be encouraged to take extra care with their handwriting and presentation across the curriculum. For our poetry work, we will be reading the poem 'Give yourself a hug' by Grace Nichols.

#### <u>Science</u>

In Science we will be finish our learning about Animals, including humans and will begin our topic on 'Living things and their habitats'. We will explore and compare things that are living, dead and have never been alive; identify the habitats of animals and plants; identify and name a variety of plants and animals and explore food chains.

#### <u>Phonics</u>

Phonics is a key focus in KS1 to support your child on their reading and writing journey. Therefore, we will continue to build on phonics knowledge from Reception and Year 1, to enable the children to be confident readers and writers. We will be working on increasing our speed of reading.

## <u>Maths</u>

In Maths we will finish our work on number and place value. We will then move onto addition and subtraction, including adding and subtracting 2digit and 1-digit numbers and moving onto 2-digit and 2-digit numbers. We will be writing number sentences and exploring number families. We will also continue to focus on our counting forwards and backwards 1s, 2s, 5s, 10s, and 3s and our times tables.

# Year 2

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RE

In RE our focus is Why and

how are Christmas and

Chanukah celebrated?'. We will

be thinking about the reasons

for celebrating these

traditions and the special ways

in which people do so.

#### <u>Computing</u>

In Computing our topic this half term is Spreadsheet, where we will learn what spreadsheets are, how they work and create our own. We will also learn how we can keep ourselves safe online.

# <u> PE</u>

In PE we will be taking part in Gymnastics. We will also be working on our throwing skills, including throwing for accuracy.

## <u>DT</u>

In DT we will be exploring mechanisms, specifically wheels and axels. We will be designing and creating our own forms of transport with wheels and evaluating our designs.

## **History**

In History this term our focus will be significant events. We will be learning about the The Plague (also Covid-19) and World War One. We will learning about the key events that occurred during these events and putting these into chronological order on timelines. We will be looking at how they impacted on every day life and the world today. We will be comparing three themes throughout our history learning: society, significance and legacy.

#### Geography

In Geography this term we will be learning about the United Kingdom, including learning about the four countries in the UK and the capital cities, flags and surrounding seas. We will also do a City and Village comparison by studying Liverpool and Eyam. We will define what a city and village is and explain why Liverpool and Eyam are examples of this. Through aerial photographs we will compare and contrast their geographical features.