

Dear Year 1,



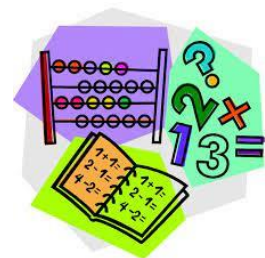
I hope you all had an amazing Christmas time. I'm excited to start the new year with you all with our new topic called '**Bright Lights, Big City!**'. In this topic we are going to be learning all about the capital city London.

In RE we will be exploring three topics in the Lent term, 'Special People' 'Meals' and 'Change'. Further information for each of the topics will follow at the beginning of each unit.



In English, we will be exploring Information texts and narratives. To help and support with reading and writing at home each week you will come home with spellings, it would be great for parents to help you practice these each night. You will also have your weekly reading book, library book and phonics books to read too.

In Maths, we will be covering: Number and place value, addition and subtraction, properties of shape, multiplication and division, measurement (mass and time) and fractions. Each week you will bring home a piece of homework covering the learning we have been doing in the classroom.



In Science, we will be learning about seasonal changes with a focus on Spring as well as a new unit 'Everyday Materials'.

In computing, we will be continuing our learning of how to log onto the iPad and computers independently. We will be exploring 'Lego builders', 'Maze explorers' and 'Animated stories'.



Our Music topics are called 'In the Groove' and 'Round and Round!' We are looking forward to exploring lots of percussion instruments during the units.



In History, we will be learning about the great fire of London! In Geography, we will be learning about life in the United Kingdom with a special focus on our capital city 'London'. We will be learning all about kings and queens, with a special focus on Queen Elizabeth II.

As part of our Art and design and technology learning, we are going to be investigating wheels, axels and chassis.

Our PSHE topic is 'Dreams and Goals' and 'Healthy Me'.

Our PE days will be on Friday and this term we will be learning about balance in our topics 'Tilly the trains big day'. And 'Thambi walks the tightrope'. We will also be focusing on co-ordination and ball skills in the topic 'Clowning around' and in our final unit 'Wendy's water-ski challenge' we will be focusing on counterbalances with a partner. We look forward to using the skills we learn and develop in a range of team games.



Thank you in advance to all the parents for your continued help and support.

From Mrs Wadsworth