



Bolton-le-Sands C of E Primary School

Curriculum Newsletter



Welcome to the autumn term edition of the Curriculum Newsletter. We hope that you will find it useful and informative. Please do not hesitate to contact your child's Class Teacher if you have any questions regarding the curriculum this term.

This term in Class 8 our topic will be '**Sparks May Fly**' and '**Gunpowder Plot**'

SPARKS MAY FLY

Gunpowder Plot

During the first half of the term, we will learn about electricity and make circuits in an exciting D&T project. In **English**, we will be reading, 'The Firework Maker's Daughter' by Philip Pullman and will be practising different skills in order for us to write our own fantasy stories. We will also be writing a non-fiction text about volcanoes.

After the half term break, our History work will focus on **The Stuarts and the famous Gunpowder Plot**. Our **English** will move onto fairy tales and poetry.

Our **Maths** work this term will focus on place value. We will then move onto addition and subtraction and start to practise our times tables.

In **RE** we will be learning about how Harvest is celebrated around the world and about the Jewish festival Sukkot. Towards Christmas, we will focus on the symbolism of light. In **Collective Worship** we are studying '**creating positivity**'.

This term in **Science**, we will be learning about '**Electricity**' and after half term, '**Sound**'.

In **computing** we will be learning about **Internet Safety** and **Programming**.

Our **PSHE** will focus on '**Relationships**' and '**Health and Wellbeing**'.

Mrs Wilson will teach your children Science and Music on Friday afternoons.

PE this term will be on **Tuesdays** for our swimming sessions and **Friday** afternoons where we are working on **invasion games**.

Please ensure your child has a full, **named**, PE kit in school each day which includes: a blue round neck t-shirt, plain black shorts and pumps and, for outdoors, dark plain leggings/tracksuit bottoms, a plain sweatshirt or BLS hoodie and trainers.

Please ensure that earrings are not worn on PE days.

Our weekly **music** lessons will focus on '**Composing Electronic Music**' and '**Playing instruments**'.

We will be supported in class by **Mrs Wright and Mrs Beck**.

How can I help at home?

Reading books will be sent home on Fridays and Tuesdays. Please spend time each evening reading with your child and **return their book and signed Reading Record to school every day**. We will also be doing a 50 Book Reading challenge which will be stuck into your child's reading record for them to complete. Juniors are expected to write their own reading review into their reading records once they have finished their books. Parental comments are always welcome too.

Homework will be sent out on Fridays via **Google Classroom** to be completed the following week.

We will send home their details and show children how to use it in school. We will show this to parents during our 'Meet the Teacher' video.

If you have any concerns or would like to discuss any aspect of your child's progress, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Many thanks for your continued support.

Mrs Catherine Briggs

