

### How you can help your child:

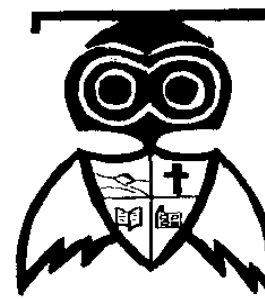
- Reading is the most important daily homework for children to do.
- Homework, in addition to this, will be given on Monday's and Friday's.
- If children need help with homework I will be running a homework club on a Wednesday lunchtime.
- PE with PAS is on Thursday . Please make sure children have a PE kit in school at all times. A t shirt, shorts and pumps are ideal for our indoor PE. Joggers, trainers and a fleecy top are useful for outdoor work, as it can still be chilly at the start of this term. Please do not send your child with a football shirt for PE.

If you have any questions or concerns please pop in or phone.

Thank you

## St Luke's Primary School Curriculum Information (Merlins- Spring 2018)

# Mysteries and puzzles



### Information about our theme

Welcome back to Merlins! Our theme this term is: Mysteries and puzzles. It promises to be a really exciting and interesting theme to get us moving forward with our learning. The children will be using a number of subjects to investigate the ideas which this theme presents us with.

## Art/Design Technology/Music



We will be:

- Using the art of famous artists eg Picasso, Monet and Van Gogh to develop different techniques.
- Create sculptures inspired by Rennie Mackintosh and Henry Moore.
- To use different media to create own artwork eg pastels, oil paints etc.
- To use the knowledge and understanding about how light helps us to see to design and make a periscope and a pin hole camera.
- To create musical sound pictures using different instruments.

## Maths



We will be:

- Converting between different metric measurements.
- Ordering fractions, decimals and percentages.
- Adding, subtracting, multiplying and dividing fractions.
- Changing fractions into mixed number and improper fractions.
- Calculating how to find a fraction/percentage of a certain amount.
- Solving problems using fractions, decimals and percentages.
- Rotating and translating shapes within a four quadrant grid.
- Revising the properties of 2D and 3D shapes.

## Literacy



We will be:

- Writing biographies, newspaper reports, diary accounts, factual reports, poetry and stories.
- Using the 'Secret Garden' to inspire our writing and widen our knowledge of classic stories.
- Learning about clauses in sentences and phrases.
- Using a range of punctuation eg commas, colons and semi colons.
- Extending our spelling by learning our list of expected vocabulary and using them in our writing. Revising letter rules eg ible and able, si ci ti.
- Expanding our understanding of what we read by answering questions and learning how to infer what is going on.

## Knowledge and Understanding of the World



We will be:

- Using different class texts that use a theme of mystery eg the Secret garden, to inspire our own writing. In particular, thinking about how the author creates a sense of mystery and helping the children in their own writing.
- Studying the ancient civilisation of Greece including its art, its people and its impact on modern life.
- Reading the Greek Myths eg Theseus and the Minotaur to create our own myths using the features of hero, mythical monsters and a quest.
- In science we are learning about light and how it helps us to see. We will be investigating how light can be reflected as well as other interesting phenomena of light eg rainbows. We will also be recapping on electrical circuits.
- Measuring light using light meters.
- Looking at classical architecture eg the Acropolis and recreating its structure using scaled drawings and proportions.
- In computing we will be developing our class blog, using different search engines to find information and staying safe when online.

## Physical Development

We will be:

- Developing our dance skills to create a piece of individual, group and class work.
- Working with PAS to improve our games skills and team work through orienteering.

