Further information / how you can help your child:

- Phonics sessions will take place each day where we will be learning new sounds and tricky words. When we learn new tricky words we use the letter names rather than the sounds they make e.g. W A S spells was. It would be really helpful if you could ask your child what sound or tricky word they have been practicing each day, maybe asking them to note it down or tell you some words which contain this sound.
- Reading books will be sent home on Fridays, to be returned on Mondays. Please listen to your child read over the weekend and remember to note down achievements or anything they've found tricky in the reading record. This helps us to see the wider picture and select appropriate books for the following week. Remember to ask questions about the book to check they are reading with understanding (many of our books have some suggestions on the front/back cover). At home reading can be supplemented by e-books available free on https://www.oxfordowl.co.uk/for-home/find-a-book/library-page/
- Please ensure <u>named</u> PE kits are in school at all times joggers, sweatshirt, trainers for outside; shorts, t-shirt and pumps for inside. (PE lessons are on Tuesdays and Fridays).
- Please could you make sure your child has a waterproof coat and wellies in school if possible, we will be doing lots of exciting outdoor learning this term.
- Please don't be alarmed if your child comes home on a Friday with a little treat – each week children have the chance to win a prize in our 'Golden Box' prize draw. Children are also awarded house points and stickers for showing a positive attitude towards their learning.

If you have any concerns or worries, please contact the office and I will endeavour to get back to you as soon as possible.

St Luke's Primary School Curriculum Information

(Peregrines - Autumn Term 2022)

Just Imagine



Dear Parents,

My name is Miss Ellwood and I will be your children's teacher this year. The lovely Mrs Maniak is our TA and the children will be taught by Miss Metcalfe on Tuesday mornings. The children have come back to school eager to learn and are settling in to their new classroom well. I am really looking forward to this year.

We have a very exciting term ahead of us. Our class book is The Jolly Postman, which will inform lots of our activities. We will set up our own post-office and learn about different traditional tales. We will build new homes for the Three Little Pigs, help Baby Bear with breakfast ideas and we may be visited by the Big Bad Wolf. We will be answering some intriguing questions such as; "what would it be like to live in a castle?" where our history learning will turn our classroom into a castle for the day. As always, there will be lots of opportunities for creativity, collaboration and independent learning throughout the term.

Maths

We will be:

- Counting within 20, forwards and backwards and from a given number.
- Reading and writing numbers to 20 in numerals and words.
- Finding one more and one less than a given number.
- Comparing numbers using < > and = signs
- Using a part-whole model and recapping number bonds.
- Adding and subtracting numbers within 20.
- Recognising, naming and sorting 2D shapes.
- Partitioning numbers into tens and ones.

English

We will be:

- Recapping our Phase 3 phonics sounds and tricky words.
- Practicing our segmenting and blending daily.
- Developing our topic based vocabulary.
- Writing for a range of purposes, to include postcards, letters, comicstrips, fairy-tales, poems, scientific reports and even our own playscripts!
- Writing simple sentences, beginning with a capital letter, using finger spaces between words and ending with a full stop.
- Using drama to retell our favourite stories and lots of traditional tales.

Physical Development

We will be:

- Taking part in PE twice per week, focusing on ball skills and team games.
- Doing exercise every morning working on balance, coordination and core strength.
- Practising the best position for handwriting and pencil grip.
- Doing funky fingers exercises and dough disco to practice our fine motor skills.

Computing

We will be:

 Learning what an algorithm is and how we can write our own to programme a BeeBot.

Science - Which is the odd one out?

In science we are learning about materials and their properties. We will be:

- Designing our own products based on their properties.
- Designing and making new, strong houses for the Three Little Pigs to be tested by a big bad wolf (that looks suspiciously like a hairdryer!)
- Classifying, comparing and testing products based on properties such as absorbency and waterproofing.
- Using our scientific knowledge of materials to inform our DT and History work.

Knowledge and Understanding of the World Geography/History

We will be:

- Learning about where we live, some landmarks in Glossop and features of the local area.
- Making maps of our classroom, school and of Fairyland from The Jolly Postman.
- Using maps to deliver letters around school.
- Learning about different castles in the UK: what they were used for, how they have changed over time and answering the question: What would it be like to live in a castle?

PHSE/RE

We will be:

• Thinking and reflecting on the virtues of caring, helpfulness, cooperation and courage. Exploring the following big questions: Who are Jewish people and what do they believe? Why does Christmas matter to Christian people?

Art and DT

- Our main focus in art this term is colour. We will be learning about the primary colours, how to mix secondary colours and how to achieve different shades in our paintings.
- In DT we will be linking our scientific knowledge of materials to help us design and build houses and castles.

Music

We will be:

• Listening to a range of different music styles and learning songs, chants and rhythms and creating our own to perform to the class.