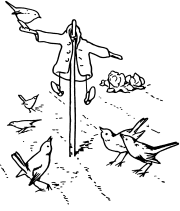


# Year One

Our topic for this half term is...



## A Postcard from The Lakes.



Our new topic, 'A Postcard From The Lakes' will concentrate on studying a significant, local person, Beatrix Potter. We will be finding out who she was, when and where she lived. We will read a selection of her tales in English and look at the way she drew and painted animals in her illustrations.

In Geography, the children will study the features of the Lake District, looking at the countryside, the wildlife and think about why it's a popular holiday destination.

On Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> May we are going to explore these themes in more depth with a trip to The World of Beatrix Potter in Bowness. There, we will be able to find out more about her life and the animals that inspired Beatrix Potter to write such wonderful stories as well as meeting all of the story characters too. At Brockhole, we will be discovering more about the Lake District as a holiday destination as we look at the geographical features. Finally we will attempt to find the real wildlife of the Lakes on the Beatrix Potter trail around the park.



In R.E, we are thinking about special places including churches and shrines. We will consider what makes a place special and look at some of the features and symbols in Christian churches. We are hoping to organize a trip to the Parish church to talk about the features.



In maths, we will continue to count in 2's, 5's and 10's and to look at multiplication and division problem solving. We will be continuing to look at place value and how numbers relate to each other – particularly looking at 10's and units (1's). We will be doubling and halving numbers.

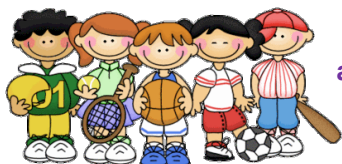
Continuing with our Spring work, we will be looking closely at and labelling the different parts of a plant in Science and sketch a variety of Spring flowers. Thank you very much for the homework completed over the holidays and for looking after the sunflowers.

Please can you continue to look for signs of Spring as you walk to school or when you go out at weekends and discuss these changes with your child, particularly as the days lengthen and as it stays 'lighter for longer' at night.

### How Can You Help.

As always it would be greatly appreciated if you could continue to practise and use **Letters and Sounds** to support **reading** and **writing**, and to practice **correct letter formation** at home. It really does help develop confidence and enables progress in your child's learning.

Now that all the children know their **100 high frequency words**, please begin to encourage them to spell the words so that they can use them in their writing correctly.



### PE & Games:

PE / Games lessons in Year 1 will take place on a **Tuesday morning** and **Wednesday afternoon**. Please can you ensure that your child has their P.E. kit in school. Also please can long hair be tied back and ear rings removed or taped? Thank you.

Please do ask if you have any questions or need any further information.