



Spring 2019

STJB Year One



# Fire and Ice

Dear Parents,

This term our topic is Fire and Ice.

In **Science**, we will be investigating animals including humans. This will include sorting animals into their animal groups, eg mammals, birds, fish, reptiles and amphibians. As part of our learning about humans we will be naming external body parts and finding out about the five senses. We will also be looking at the seasonal changes taking place as Winter makes way for Spring.

In **Geography**, we will be learning about hot and cold places around the world. The children will be learning about the Equator, Continents and Oceans of the world.

During **History** the children will be learning about The Great Fire of London. They will be creating a timeline of the events leading up to and during the Great Fire of London.

In **Computing**, the children will continue to explore simple algorithms and begin to learn how to 'debug' them if they things go wrong. They will use the Beebots and use the turtle programs on Purple Mash. During the second half of the term they will be using '2create a story' to help them write a

simple story on the computer.

During **PE**, the children will be taking part in gymnastics. They will be learning to use different points of contact with the floor and apparatus. The children will also be taking part in games lessons where they will be learning to make up games with a

partner including aiming, hitting and kicking. After half term we will be linking our dance lessons to the second part of our topic 'Fire'.

In **RE**, we will be learning about the Muslim faith. The children will be learning where Muslims worship and the key features of a Mosque. They will learn that Muslims believe there is one God called Allah and the holy book of Islam is called the Qur'an. We will be comparing the Christian faith and Muslim faith and looking at similarities and differences. After half term we will be focussing on Salvation and the events of the Easter story.

In **D.T** the children will be taking part in a 'Design It, Make It' week. As this week coincides with Chinese New Year, we will be looking at dragons and creating some dragon stick puppets.

In **Art** the children will be using powder paints to create hot and cold colours. They will be making collages to represent hot and cold too.

During **Open Futures** the children will be cooking, gardening, filming and



This is just an outline of what the children will be exploring during this topic. We are using these news letters to give you information about your child's education. This will replace the foundation subjects comments on the annual report.

**Homework**  
Please share books and hear your child read regularly. We will be giving weekly maths tasks to support your child in their maths learning. Each week We will be giving out spellings for your child to practise, this will help your child with their reading and writing. Please give your homework in on a Tuesday. It will be given out on a Thursday.