

# Enfield Heights Academy

## Spring Term 2019 Year 1

### English

This term we will be focusing on *The Adventures of Egg Box Dragon* by Richard Adams. We will be engaging children with a story with which they will empathise, exploring themes and issues, and developing ideas through discussion, enabling children to make connections with their own lives. We will be developing creative responses to the text through responding to reading, drama and artwork. We will also be writing with confidence for real purposes and audiences. Children should be reading at home daily and ensure they bring in the reading record book for when they are listened to at school. This will also ensure their books and levels are kept up to date. Spelling and handwriting will be taught and assessed weekly.

### Maths

We have now implemented a new scheme called Inspire Maths across our school. Inspire Maths is the UK version of a highly acclaimed Singapore maths programme. The curriculum places an emphasis on building children's deep contextual understanding and problem solving, through developing key skills and concepts around a CPA approach (Concrete, Pictorial, Abstract). CPA involves using physical objects (concrete), then diagrams or pictures (pictorial) and ultimately using representations such as numerals (abstract). Children will be supported and guided as they work collaboratively in pairs or small groups through guided practice activities. This will help to develop a deep understanding of mathematical concepts, language and reasoning through collaborative work. It will also provide further opportunities to check children's understanding by observing their use of concrete apparatus such as Numicon, Base 10, cubes and counters.

### Science

Our subject this half term in Science is Animals including humans. Year one will be learning about animals and classification. We will be identifying and naming a variety of common animals that are carnivores, herbivores and omnivores. We will also describe and compare the structure of a variety of common animals, fish, amphibians, reptiles, birds and mammals.

### Topic: History / Geography

In Topic this half term is the Bronze Age and the seven Continents. We will be learning about tools in the Bronze Age, Bronze Age homes, Bronze Age burials, daily life during the Bronze Age and learning about the Uffington Horse. We will also learn about cardinal directions on a map and about how large masses are separated by ocean creating the seven continents. We will discover what it is like to live in Africa, Asia, Europe, North and South America and Australasia.

### Computing

Children in Year 1 will be learning about the importance of staying safe online. This will be revisited throughout the year. This half term our topic is "We are collectors". Children will learn how to search, copy and paste an image. At the end of the term they will make a PowerPoint about animals.

## Art & Design

Throughout the year, children will be learning to use a range of materials creatively to design and make products. They will also be learning to use drawing, painting and sculpture to develop and share their ideas, experiences and imagination. We will also be learning how to use colour, pattern, texture, shapes and space to create art.

## P.E.

This half term the children will be learning gymnastics. By the end of the year children will be able to:

- Master basic movements including running, jumping, throwing and catching.
- Develop balance, agility and co-ordination.
- Begin to apply these skills in a range of activities, as well as participate in games and dances.

## Homework

Homework will be set weekly on a Friday and will be expected to be returned by Wednesday. Homework will consist of English and Maths which will be a consolidation of their learning in class. Children will be expected to read out loud to an adult daily and be observed reading independently. Children's reading books will be changed every Friday. Please fill in your reading records and return them every Friday with your library books.

If you have any queries please do not hesitate to arrange a meeting to speak with me after school.

Miss Cetin