



Dear Parents and Carers,
I hope you all had a fantastic summer. We are very excited about the learning for this term.

We will be exploring our new big question: Why have buildings changed over time? We will be discussing different types of buildings, uses, where you would find them and the differences between them. The children will take part in a local walk round Edenham and then produce an aerial map of the village. Finally, we will be creating our collage, based on a building that we want to use as inspiration, and will then create a picture of it in the style of Paul Klee's picture of 'Castle and the Sun'.

As writers, the children will have a number of opportunities to write in a variety of genres. We will be starting off the term by writing a recount of 'The Magic Paintbrush' by Julia Donaldson, as the main character Shen. The children will continue to develop their spelling with daily phonics and spelling sessions. During our grammar sessions, children will begin by learning about the different word classes.

As mathematicians, we will begin by exploring number and place value. We will be counting every day both forwards and backwards. The children will be given opportunities to use a range of practical equipment such as Dienes, Numicon, coins and counters to develop their reasoning further. In addition to this, children will develop their fluency of key facts such as number bonds to 10.

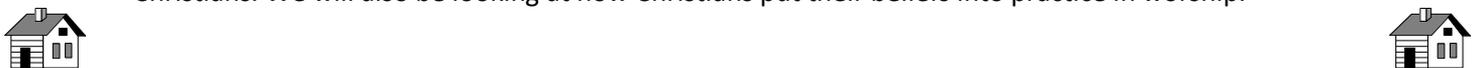
As readers, the children will be sharing a range of texts including diaries, poetry, factual texts and lots of stories! The children will be taught VIPER reading skills such as, how to make predictions, use inferencing to help understand the text and retrieve information from text to answer comprehension questions. Our class book we will be using for Guided Reading this term is 'The Twits' by Roald Dahl. They will apply these skills across the different curriculum areas.

For their home reading books, children will take home **three** books, including their reading book, a bedtime story book and their phonics book. These books will be **changed every Thursday** and will be given out on the **15th of September**. Even if your child finishes the books before the Thursday, it is important they re-read their books and answer questions based on the texts, to improve their understanding and comprehension of what they have read.

Our PE topic this term is Team Building. In this unit pupils develop their communication and problem-solving skills. They work individually, in pairs and in small groups, learning to take turns, work collaboratively and lead each other. They are given the opportunity to discuss and plan their ideas to get the most successful outcome.

In Science we will be starting our Animals including Humans topic. The children will be identifying and naming a variety of common animals, including fish, amphibians, reptiles, birds and mammals. They will then go onto describing and comparing the structure of a variety of common animals. Lastly, they will learn about the basic parts of the human body and say which part of the body is associated with each sense.

In RE we will be exploring our big question: What do Christians believe God is like? We will be reading a variety of Bible stories to help us learn more about God and what he represents for Christians. We will also be looking at how Christians put their beliefs into practice in worship.





 For Computing we will be improving our mouse skills. They will learn how to log in and navigate around a computer, drag, drop, click and control a cursor using a mouse and use software tools to create art on the computer. 

 In Music the children will be exploring key musical vocabulary in Under the Sea unit. They will make movements that are appropriate to the pulse and tempo of a piece of music and create pitches and rhythms. 

 Homework and Spellings 

 We will be carrying on with setting Mathletics and Reading Eggs tasks on alternate weeks. 

 **Spellings will continue to be sent home on a Friday and will be checked the following Friday.** 

 Our PE day is **Tuesday** and Outdoor Education day is **Wednesday**. The children will need to come in wearing their PE kit and outdoor clothing on these days. 

 Thank you for your continued support. 

 Miss Moylan 😊 

