

# Newton Tony Primary School CE VC

## Spring Term 1 – Squirrels learning journey.

### Art and Design – Print and Activism

We will be exploring the idea that art can be used as a way of sharing passions and interests with peers and in a community.

We will be learning about artists who are activists, and then go on to identify and voice the things that we care about as individuals.

### English

We are reading...  
The children of Swallow Fell.

#### Fiction

We will read a selection of new fairy tales including:

- The Three Pigs by David Wiesner
- The True Story of the Three Little Pigs by Jon Scieszka
- The Wolf's Story by Toby Forward.



We will recap how to punctuate speech.

We will look at the present perfect form of verbs.

Finally we will draft, edit and present a descriptive piece inspired by the stories read.

You are welcome to buy your child a copy of the termly class book this term. Children love to read along in class with their own copy. Please let us know if you would like the school to buy the book. We are happy to!

### Maths

We will be focusing on multiplication and division.

We will be looking at multiplication and division facts in our times tables. We will look at related calculations and efficient multiplication.

We will be practising our times tables daily beginning with our 6 times tables.

Children are challenged with 'mastery' problem solving activities!

### Spelling

Our spelling programme is **SCORE**, which is etymology enriched and phonic based.

This term our focus sounds are /ar/ coded ar, a and al, and /l/ coded l and ll.

We will look at code overlaps and think about how the /ar/ sound coded 'a' depends on your accent.

### Science

We will be learning about Living things: Classification and changing habitats. We will learn that a solid keeps its shape unless a force is applied to it, a liquid can flow freely and take on the shape of a container and a gas does not have a fixed shape and can escape from an unsealed container. We will also learn that in the water cycle, condensation is the process of water vapour cooling to form water droplets in clouds, which can result in precipitation.

### RE

Our theme is : Buddha's teachings

Our Key Question: Could the Buddha's teachings make the world a better place.

Religion: Buddhism

## History

### How have children's lives changed?

We will learn that:

- the Tudor period started in 1485 when Henry VII came to the throne and ended in 1603 with the death of Elizabeth 1.
- the Victorian period started in 1837 when Victoria came to the throne and ended in 1901.
- Children tended to experience more dangerous conditions in some jobs in Victorian times than in Tudor times.
- Lord Shaftesbury helped to improve working conditions for children.

## Art, Design and Technology

### DT

We will write a program to initiate a flashing LED panel after a button press and/or automatically initiate using the Micro:bit light sensing, as part of an eCharm. We will then create and decorate a foam pouch for the eCharm, using a template.

### Art and Design

We will explore still life by looking at contemporary and traditional artists working with the genre of still life. Then we will create our own still life inspired art work.

## Music

Haiku, music and performance

We will describe the festival of Hanami using words and sounds. Then we will use musical vocabulary to discuss the purpose of a piece of music before we work as a group to create a piece of music to celebrate Hanami

## PSHE

### Dreams and Goals

We will think about people who have faced difficult challenges and achieved success before identifying a dream/ambition that is important to us. We will work on having a positive attitude and helping others to achieve their goals.

## Computing

### Scratch questions and quizzes

We will be able to:

- write a program which accomplishes a specific goal.
- Create a program that includes a logical sequence.
- Debug a program we have written.

## PE

Our focus this term is swimming.

We will also be learning dodge ball.

We are will also participate in any relevant cluster school sports competitions and festivals.

## French

Bonjour !

Birthday celebrations!

We will learn numbers from one to thirty one in French. We will recognise the months of the year in French before applying new vocabulary to write sentences about birthdays.