

As **readers** we will continue to work through our Little Wandle phonics programme. We will learn new and alternative pronunciations for previously taught digraphs. We will continue to develop our comprehension skills during individual and whole class reading and will focus on using inference, prediction, vocabulary, sequencing and retrieving to develop our understanding when reading a range of texts.

As **writers**, we will begin the term with some storytelling. We will explore different versions of 'The Magic Paintbrush' and will make comparisons between these. We will then work on creating our own version of the story. We will be focusing on structuring our stories with a beginning, middle and end. We will also be focusing on using exciting and descriptive language to make our stories interesting to read. Towards the end of the term, we will move onto looking at the features of information texts. We will be creating our own leaflets using the information we have learned about China.

As **mathematicians** we will begin the term by recapping addition and subtraction of two-digit numbers. We will move onto learning about money. We will learn to recognise the value of different coins and notes and will practise adding and subtracting different combinations of coins and notes. We will also be learning about multiplication and division through the use of equal groups and arrays.

#### To help with your child's learning at home:

- ❖ Please encourage your child to wear a watch to help with them learning to tell the time.
- ❖ Practice counting in 2s, 5s and 10s.
- ❖ Please practice your weekly spellings.

## Let's go to China!



As **Scientists** we will be looking at living things and their habitats. In this unit, we will be exploring habitats in our local area as well as habitats across the world. We will learn how some animals and plants are adapted to live in particular habitats. Towards the end of the term, we will look at animal diets and food chains.

In **Computing**, we will continue to look at being safe online. We will also be exploring how data can be represented in picture format and will be using Purple Mash to create our own pictograms .

In our **Geography** work this term, we will be learning about China. We will focus on the main human and physical features of the country. We will learn about the geographical similarities and differences between China and the United Kingdom. We will also build upon our map skills by practising using atlases, world maps and globes more widely as well as online mapping programmes.

In **P.E.**, we will be playing net and wall games and working on our hand-eye coordination skills with Mr Murphy on a Wednesday. On a Monday, we will be taking part in a range of activities to develop components of fitness.

Our work in **R.E** will focus on when it is easy and difficult to show friendship and will explore when Jesus may have found it difficult.

In **P.S.H.E** lessons, we will be following our whole-school PSHE scheme 'Jigsaw'. This term we will be exploring the topic 'Dreams and Goals'. We will be thinking about our successes, our learning strengths and setting realistic goals for ourselves.