Year 1 Class 1)

PE days – Tuesday and Thursday

# Splendid Skies!

#### unlocking the learning

Unlocking the learning at home - There are so many opportunities to link what children learn at school to their everyday lives. Watch a weather forecast at home. What information does the weather reporter tell you? Try stargazing or finding books about space at the library.

Get reading - Collect some information about the weather or how clouds are formed!
Get exploring - Take a walk to the park. What signs do you see that tell you what
season we are in? Take photographs of things you see that tell you winter is coming.
Get creating - Make a collage using natural materials found.

#### Maths. We will be covering...

This half term we will be working with numbers to 50 and above, using them to order, solve problems, multiply and divide. It is important for children to recognise patterns of numbers in the 2 and 10 times table.

We will practise number bonds to 10, extending to 20. The children are learning to explain how they worked out addition and subtraction using objects, pictures and a number line.

We will introduce telling the time using analogue clocks.



Imagine floating high above land and sea on a bed of clouds, silently sweeping by on a billowing breeze.

### Topic. We will be covering...

In Year 1 the children will be focusing on the topic 'Splendid Skies'. We will be exploring seasonal changes through science, mixing colours and painting sky scenes. Through geography we will be looking at seasonal and daily weather and how it changes. We shall also look at a significant individual, Sir Francis Beaufort, who came up with the modern wind scale. The children will find out about Neil Armstrong and how everyday life has changed since the moon landings.

#### Please ensure that:

Your child has their PE kit in school – it is important for children to take part in PE for 2 hours every week. If they do not have their PE kit then your child will receive a letter asking you to provide them with suitable clothing.

Your child reads at home daily - please keep up with the reading at home as it will help develop imagination for writing, underpin phonics and help with spelling. Reading regularly at home supports children with their writing as well.

We will send home information about Nativity roles and any costumes children will need shortly. We are sure they will be teaching you the songs at home too!

## English. We will be covering...

During English this half term we will begin to write in different forms such as stories and information. We will practise using capital letters to start sentences and for proper nouns. Children develop their writing skills further by using a range of adjectives. We will use some exciting texts about journeys to the moon, as well as visual literacy clips, such as Partly Cloudy and Wallace and Gromit's Grand Day Out.

DURING THIS TOPIC WE WILL BE LOOKING AT OUR LOCAL ENVIRONMENT TO SEE HOW IT CHANGES FROM AUTUMN TO WINTER.