

Cherry Class Newsletter Term 1 2022

Dear Parents,

Welcome back, we hope you have all had an enjoyable summer. We will be starting our year with a topic all about toys. The children will be learning about the history of toys and finding out about the changes that have occurred over time and why. Alongside this, they will be learning about the materials that are used to make toys and we will also design and make our own toys.

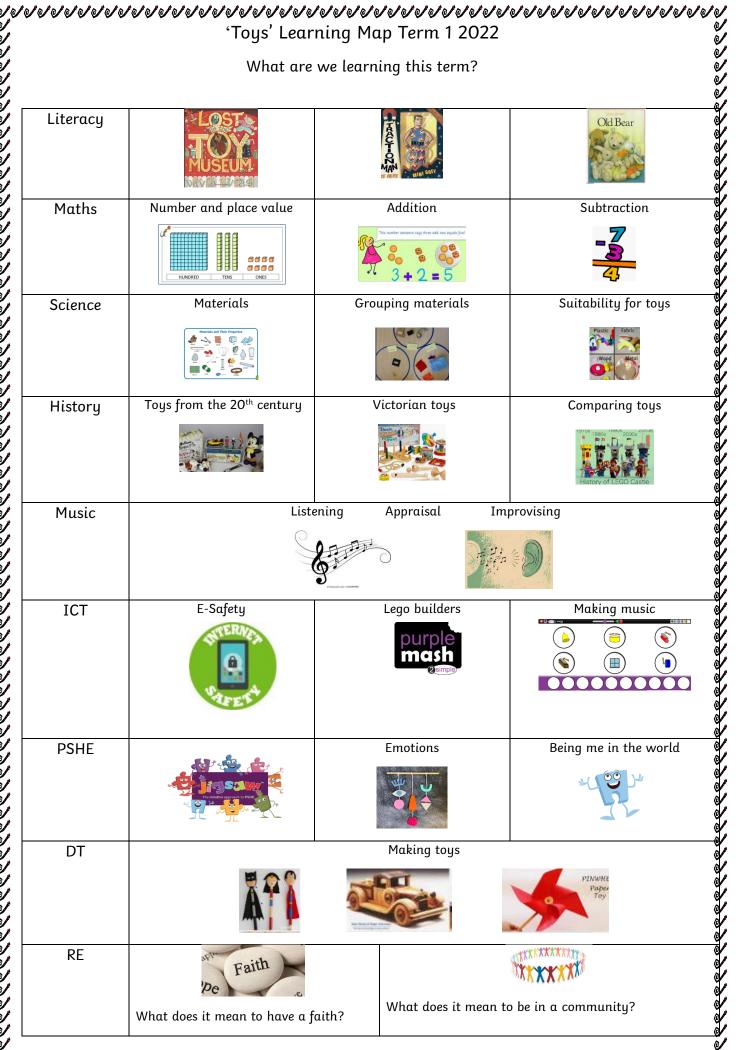
Some of the key texts we will be using for our learning are:



If your child has something relating to the 'Toys' topic they would like to bring in and share, please could they make sure it only comes in on a Wednesday. We have a dedicated time slot on this day for 'Topic Sharing Time'. This also helps the children know not to bring in toys to school on other days. Please make sure all toys, work, photos, objects are clearly named.

Reminders

- Please make sure your child brings in a **named water bottle and a book bag** every day. It would be helpful to pop in a spare pair of socks in their PE bags too.
- Our PE day with Mr D is a Monday but we will also have sessions throughout the week so please ensure bags are always in school.
- Fruit for Key Stage 1 is provided for snack time, however if you want to provide a snack for your child at this time, please make sure it is a healthy snack.



Home Learning

If you would like a learning activity to complete at home during this term with your child, you could choose from one of these activities:

- Ask a family member about the favourite toy they had when they were younger, why was it their favourite?
- Play a board game with members of your family and talk about whether how we play games has changed from the past?
- Have a go at making your own board game.
- Design a new toy, what would it be like?

Reading	We are very excited to be sharing our new reading scheme with you. Please look out for a meeting about the new scheme. If you are unable to make it we will be sending home information about it soon.
Phonics Year 1	Children in year 1 will be sent home with a phonics homework sheet on a Friday showing the sounds & words they have been learning that week. We ask that you practise reading and writing these words at home.
Phonics/ spelling Year 2	Children in Year 2 will be sent home with spellings based on the spelling curriculum rules they will have been taught during the week on a Friday . They will be tested on these on the following Friday , so we ask that you practise these at home.
Maths	It is expected that by the end of Year 2 all children will know their 2, 5 and 10 times tables. If you would like to practise some maths at home, we ask that you work on these to help your children become fluent. If you would like a challenge, we later move on to the 3 and 4 times tables.

Useful Websites to support learning

https://www.theforgottentoyshop.co.uk/pages/history-of-toys-games https://brightonmuseums.org.uk/discover/2012/05/21/toy-timeline/ https://brightonmuseums.org.uk/discover/2012/05/21/toy-timeline/

We are very excited to be starting a new school year with the children. Please do not hesitate to come and speak to us if you have any questions,

Thank you for your support.

Mrs King and Mrs Pike