**English (Reading and writing):**

***Text drivers/books to share***

- Storm Whale – Benji Davies
- Little Red Riding Hood – Mara Alperin

***Reading***

Year 1 and 2 will continue to practice their decoding, segmenting and blending skills in conjunction with their developing fluency while independently reading. The children will focus on developing their comprehension skills during daily reading skills lessons. They will focus on their understanding and recall of events from the text. **Children are expected to read at home every day and this is to be recorded in their reading logbook.**

***Writing***

Within the first half term of the new academic year, we will be focusing on the construction and punctuation of sentences in order to use and apply them to retell the story of the Storm Whale. In the second half of this half term, we will look at the inclusion of adjectives to describe the appearance of characters within the text.

**Physical Education:**

In PE, Year 1 and 2 will be focusing their attention on the **multi skills** objectives of maintaining control of their body while moving in different directions and at different speeds. The children will explore these objectives through the sporting driver of Invasion games.

**Religious Education: Christianity – Celebration**

In RE, Year 1 and 2 will be learning about how and why people of all faiths celebrate different religious festivals, what significance they hold within their religion and the different ways in which they can be celebrated. In particular, the children will focus on the Christian celebration of Harvest. Within this topic, the children will learn about the historical and religious significance of this festival and link t to modern day activities.

**PSHE:**

Year 1 and 2 will be focusing on the topic of "Me and my relationships." Within this topic, the children will explore the interpersonal skills that are required to foster and maintain friendships as well as developing the skills of empathy and kindness. Later on in the unit, the children will explore the difference between bullying and teasing as well as learning how to deal with negative behaviours.

**EXPLORE: (Curriculum focus)**

**Geography:**

This half term, Year 1 and 2 will be explore our local surroundings and will aim to answer, "How do places change over time?" The children will look at our local surroundings, key human and physical features of the Isle of Wight as well as discussing the similarities and differences between different sized settlements. To conclude the topic, we will explore how the island has changed over time from photos and other historical sources.




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**DISCOVER: (Curriculum support)**

**History:**

As this term will be led by our geography topic. Therefore, our history coverage will be taught through looking at maps of our local surroundings and discussing how and why the village of Godshill has changed over the past 100 years.

**Mathematics:**

During this half term, Year 1 and 2 will be focusing on the areas of: **Place value, addition, subtraction, multiplication, division and measurement including length and money**

Children will continue to focus on recalling, from memory, their number bonds to 10 and 20 as well as their 2, 5 and 10 times tables without support. In order to support your child's learning, these should be practiced at home every day on line (Timetables rock stars, Hit the button) or via paper copies (daily homework).

In addition to tackling these National Curriculum objectives, the children will be challenged to apply their newly taught knowledge through challenges, problem solving activities and mathematical investigations.

**STEM**

**Science:** This half term, the Year 1 and 2 will be focusing on the topic of "Every day materials and their properties." Within this unit the children will learn the difference between the object and the material which it is made from, the properties of common materials and their uses. The children will learn to sort materials based on their properties and suitability to each category. By the end of the unit, the children will plan and make a waterproof coat for their stick person using a suitable material.

**Computing:** In ICT, Mr Fessey will be focusing on using IT to create a digital image in paint as well as exploring IT beyond the school. Learning about how it is prevalent in the wider world.

**CREATE: (Curriculum support)**

**Music:** During this half term, the children will be focusing on the topic of "African call and response songs." The children will experience music and songs from another continent as well as learning the beat and rhythm so that they can respond to lyrics and beats.

**Art/ DT:** For this half term, Year 1 and 2 will be focusing on sculpture and the use of recyclable materials. The children will learn how to create sculptures from different materials to make seaside themes objects.