



# Gayhurst Community School

## Class Information for Parents / Carers

Date: January 2019

Teacher: Justine

Class:

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### **English– we are learning to:**

We will be developing our sentences, looking at, statements, questions, exclamations and commands. Also we will be focussing on using coordination (**or, and, but**) correctly in writing to develop our sentences. We will also be trying to use different punctuation in our writing, for example question marks, exclamation marks and commas. We will also be starting to look at suffixes in our writing, including -ment, -ness, -ful, -less, -ly. We have some really lovely books this term. We will be reading a range of different poems, 'Who's Afraid of the Big Bad Book', 'Traction Man', 'The Hodgeheg' and 'Traditional Stories from Around the World'.

**You can help your child at home by:** Reminding them when they need to use capital letters and full stops. Developing a range of different sentence starters. Get children to say their sentence, count it and then write it. Practice Year Two high frequency words, for example, they, want, some.

**Maths – we are learning to:** Consolidate our understanding of number by counting to and across 100; beginning with 0 or 1, or from any given number. We will read and write numbers to 100 in numerals. Read and interpret mathematical symbols and statements. Add and subtract 2 digit numbers to 100. Solve one-step problems that involve addition, subtraction, multiplication and division, using concrete objects and pictorial representations. We will recognise, find and name a half, quarter, 2 quarters and understand the equivalence of  $\frac{2}{4}$  and  $\frac{1}{2}$ . In measure we will focus on time and sequence events in chronological order. Our geometry focus will be to recognise and name common 3D shapes and revisit 2D shapes

**You can help your child at home by:** encouraging them to count in steps of 3s, 2s and 5s from any number forwards and backwards.

**Science, Computing, R.E and Music:** In music the focus will be on rock music. Children will listen, perform and improvise songs using different instruments. In computing children will be learning to be computer scientists. They will be using algorithms to give a set of instructions, they will learn to 'de-bug' when they face a problem. In Science children will be learning all about materials! They will be looking at how objects are made from different materials and that materials have different properties. They will also look at identifying and naming a variety of everyday materials.

### **PE**

This term we will have P.E on a **Tuesday** and **Friday**.

**It is very important that all children have a complete change of clothes for PE, for safety and hygiene including trainers or plimsolls. Please provide your child with a hair band if they long hair and ensure they do not wear any jewellery.**

### **A message from your child's teacher:**

**Welcome back and I hope everyone had a lovely break over the holidays. Although the break was needed, I hope everyone is eager to get back to all our exciting learning we have planned! This term, we have started our computing lessons and have been looking at all the different ways to keep safe online. If you have anything you would like to discuss or and queries, please do not hesitate to book a meeting.**

School starts promptly at 9:05 am and ends at 3:30 pm.

Please inform the school if your child is sick