

# Year 1

## Our week ahead - 23/11/20

Here is what we will be learning this week:

- English - understanding that stories have a problem and a resolution.
- Maths - 2D and 3D Shapes.
- History - who Samuel Pepyes was and his significance to the Great Fire of London.
- Science - exploring the vocabulary associated with the properties of materials.
- Handwriting - 'm' and 'n'
- Phonics - 'ai' (as 'ay' - pay), 'ai' (as 'a\_e' - flame), 'ai' (as 'eigh' - eight)

### PTA Christmas events

On Tuesday the 1<sup>st</sup> of December, the school is having a Christmas 'switch on' day, with something special planned as a surprise that we hope will raise everybody's spirits. On this day, as well, we want children to come in non-uniform (ideally, looking suitably festive). This will be a traditional non-uniform day, with a charge of £1. We apologise for asking (we know that with Children in Need as well as 'Poppy Day', there has been a bit of asking!). However, PTA need a little help in financing gifts to support Santa this year (PTA fundraising events have been thin on the ground for obvious reasons since March).

In addition, we have our Save the Children official charity Christmas Jumper Day on 11<sup>th</sup> December, again, with a £1 contribution.

### Spelling Shed

You should now all have your Spelling Shed log in details by Monday (apologies to those who haven't received them!)

<https://www.spellingshed.com/en-gb/>

You can now use this as a resources at home. We will not be setting work on here but we may point out useful games and resources that you may wish to uses at home.

### Christmas Nativity

This year each class will be doing their own little nativity which will be filmed for you to watch.

We will be practicing this the week commencing 30<sup>th</sup> November. It will be filmed during the week and made available on Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> December.

We will not be able to have costumes this year but would ask if you could send your child in with a festive item of clothing (a jumper, headband or hat) on Monday 30<sup>th</sup> November. This will stay in their box for rehearsals and filming and then will come home on Friday 4<sup>th</sup> December.

### Christmas Cards

Unfortunately, this year, we ask that children do not bring in Christmas cards to exchange. As we hope you can appreciate, exchanging cards has a high risk to it and therefore we can not do this.

We are looking into different ways that the children can send Christmas greetings to each other.