

# Ticklerton Spring 2026

Welcome back, we hope that you had a lovely Christmas break. Our main topics this term will be Homes in the Past, Living in Habitats and Life in the City. Mrs Jones teaches the class full time, supported by Miss Carter/Mrs Child and Mrs Hartley (mornings).

**PE** will be on Friday afternoon with the children working on their fitness levels, with a focus on invasion skills in the first part of the half term.. Please ensure pupils have the correct PE kit on this day.

**Outdoor learning** will be on Wednesday with either a walk in our local area or utilising our forest school site.

## English

Our first unit will focus on instruction writing in year 1 and 2 and then creating a video commentary. Reception will be building their skills using Jack Frost and The Magic Paintbrush. Children will cover a variety of writing genres with both guided and independent writing at regular intervals.

## Spelling, Punctuation and Grammar

Friday is spelling test day for year 1 and 2 using the words practised through the week in school. Punctuation and grammar is planned into written work and daily grammar/ punctuation activities will consolidate learning.

Daily reading will continue to play a vital role in development of grammar, comprehension and spelling skills, as well as general knowledge.

**Art** In art we will be exploring painting and mixed media: life in colour.

**DT** — the children will designing and creating a moving monster.

**Reading** at home is strongly encouraged as it plays such a huge role in a child's personal and emotional as well as academic development. Please record reading at home in the reading diary.

We always warmly welcome extra support in class, so please do not be afraid to offer to come in if you think there is something you could help with.

Questions and queries about your child's learning are also welcomed so please don't hesitate to ask.

In **science**, our focus will be Living in Habitats. We will be learning through research, experiments and investigations.

We shall focus, in **maths**, on developing skills and their application in the real world. We will focus on multiplication and division; addition and subtraction to 100, and length and height. In reception the children will use manipulatives to learn the composition to 10 and doubling and halving.

**PSHE** will be discussing safety and the changing body and citizenship. Mental wellbeing will continue to be of primary importance.

In **Geography** we will be learning all about Life in the City and in **History** our focus will be on Homes in the Past.

**Music** — during the term we will be learning using the topic Superheroes and Toys.

In **ICT** the children will focus on Online Safety Day and Data Handling. Children will continue to build up keyboard skills, select, use and combine a variety of software as well as use technology safely.

In **RE**, in line with the county syllabus, the children will be discussing the following questions in year 1/2 : Who is a Muslim and how do they live? and EYFS: which stories are special and why? Later in the term we will all focus on Easter. Collective worship will of course continue as a time of learning and reflection.

