



# St Mark's CE Primary School

'Loving to Learn, Learning to Love'



## Year 1 Newsletter

### Autumn 2



Our History question for this half term is **"What was life like in the past?"**

The children will be learning about how the past is different to now. They will look at old and new objects, thinking about how telephones have changed, how people's homes have changed and how transport has changed. In the final week of term, we will be looking at how schools have changed from the past to now.

### English

This term, we will be working on writing a **recount** and an **information text**.

We will continue to work on using our phonics to spell words, using finger spaces and putting capital letters and full stops in the correct places.

We will look at the features of an **information text** and we will write our own for others to follow.

Having the correct letter formation will help us to improve our stamina for writing so we will continue working on this.



### Maths

Using both practical resources and mental methods, we will be moving on to count, write, order and compare numbers to twenty.

We will then further develop our addition and subtraction skills – working with these larger numbers.

### Art

Our focus during Art Week will be the artist L S Lowry and we will be learning how to sketch and add detail to our sketches using different weights of pencil to add shading.



### Reading

Children should be reading at least 5 times per week.

Thank you to those of you who are listening to your children read at home regularly.

We have been so impressed with the progress that many of the children have made as a result of this.

If you have any questions about how to help your child at home with reading, please come and see Mr Holdcroft or Mrs Webster.



### Science

In this unit, the children will be identifying a range of everyday materials and distinguishing between the object itself and the material from which it is made



By the end of the unit, the children will be able to name a variety of everyday materials including wood, plastic, glass, metal, water and rock.

### P.E.

In PE, the children will be doing Gymnastics with a focus on balancing, shapes and travelling.

**PE will be on a Friday for 1H and 1W.**

Please make sure that the children come to school in the correct PE kit.

