English

We will be drafting, editing and presenting:

- Instructions
- Recounts (fiction and non- fiction)
- Our own stories
- Non-chronological reports
- Poems

We will be continuously learning new vocabulary and spellings and focusing on cursive handwriting and punctuation.

We will also continue to have focussed guided reading sessions daily, as well as daily phonics sessions.

Science

As **Scientists** we will be exploring and learning about living things and their habitats including food chains. We will also be exploring how to look after pets and what they need to be cared for. We will also learn about fair testing and plan and carry out our own investigations. We will predict, observe, record our findings and evaluate.

History

As historians, we will be looking at and finding out about the life of the Henri Matisse. We will also be comparing what life was like in the circus in the past to what the modern circus is like now.

Art

As **Artists** we will be studying the art work of Jackson Pollack and Henri Matisse. We will then create our own artistic creations in the style of these artists using the 'drip painting' technique to create a circus elephant and the' painting with scissors' technique after studying the artwork from the book 'Jazz - Le Cirque.'

Maths

We will be focussing on number and place value, including counting and estimating and partitioning. We will be adding and subtracting, and also exploring other areas of maths such as length and measure, money and time. We will begin to learn times tables and also focus on fluency in arithmetic.

Class 1 Autumn Term Topic 2021 <u>It's Showtime!</u>

If your child has any questions or things they would like to find out about our topic please encourage them to ask us and we will endeavour to research it as a class. The children are also encouraged to bring any topic related items or books in, to enhance our topic display and learning area.

Music

As **Musicians** we will be learning a harvest tune, and exploring percussion instruments through our new Charanga units. This unit includes two songs that will be the focus for exploring pitch, rhythm and pulse as well as using the instruments to enhance our music. The song genres are Hip-Hop and Christmas.

D.T

As **Designers** we will be designing and making our circus trapeze artist based on the Moscow State Circus.

P.E

We will be exploring dance, and learning how to move our bodies in different ways. We will be creating dances to different types of show music.

We will also be playing games which involve teamwork, listening and development of balance and coordination skills.

Geography

As **Geographers we will** learn about The Blackpool Tower Circus and The Moscow State Circus.

We will compare and locate Russia and the UK on a world map. We will also learn about which continents Russia and the UK are in (and understand that Russia is so big, part of it is actually in Europe.) We will also explore and identify some differences and similarities between Russia and the UK, for example; climate, size, terrain, population and language.

R.E/PSHE

We will be learning about Muslims. We will think about, talk about and ask questions about their beliefs and ways of living. We will also learn about special Christian celebrations such as Harvest and Christmas and why they matter to Christians. We will perform in our own Nativity play.

We will continue to develop mindfulness and well-being, learning how to manage our emotions and have a healthy body and mind as well as learn about people who helps us and how to stay safe. Our value for this term is "Friendship."

ICT

We will be learning how to use a keyboard and continue to develop mouse skills.

We will be searching the internet for topic related information.

We will also learn how to 'code'.