






We start the half term with an action packed STEM week (Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics) where the children will find out about nocturnal animals and take part in an RSPCA hedgehog workshop. They will apply and deepen their knowledge from their animals study in science. We will have a visit from Avtar's Indian Dance and Culture Workshops that will help us learn more about Indian culture, with multicultural awareness links to RE and MFL. We have booked a visit from the Somerset Museum Service to support our history learning about, 'How did the Victorians celebrate Christmas?' Every day we will be working hard at our phonics, spelling, reading, writing and maths skills. At the end of term we will take part in a KS1 Christmas performance. There will be two identical performances on Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> and Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> December at 2.15pm- tickets will be available from 27<sup>th</sup> November from the office. Information about Christmas celebrations and other events will be sent out in due course.

<b>English Key texts</b>	In STEM week, we will explore a range of texts to help deepen our understanding of nocturnal animals.	 <b>Anansi the Spider</b> by Gerald McDermott	 <b>Send for a Superhero</b> by Michael Rosen & Katharine McEwan
<b>Poem to learn by heart</b>	<i>'Twas the Night Before Christmas</i> by Clement Clarke Moore (Extract from)		
<b>Maths</b>	<b>Year 1</b>	2D and 3D shape Place value within 20	
	<b>Year 2</b>	Addition and subtraction Shape	
<b>Science</b>	<b>Seasonal Changes:</b> We will learn about Autumn and observe changes around school as we move into winter. <b>Animals Including Humans:</b> We will learn about animals in our locality and take part in STEM week activities based around nocturnal animals. We will take part in Hedgehog workshops with the RSPCA.		
<b>PE</b>	Ball skills Fitness		
<b>History</b>	<b>How did the Victorians celebrate Christmas?</b> We will find out about Victorian Christmas traditions and find out about similarities with our own traditions. We will take part in a school workshop with Somerset Museum Service about life in Victorian times.		
<b>Art and Design Area of Skills &amp; Focus Artist</b>		<b>Painting and colour</b> Focus Artist: Eric Carle (contrasting colours)	
<b>RE</b>	<b>In RE this half-term we will be covering:</b> What do Jewish people believe about Torah? (Year 2) What do Christians believe about Jesus - Link with Christmas (Year 1)		
<b>Music</b>	'Dance, sing and play' is our music unit and we will also use our voices in our Christmas Performance.		
<b>Design Technology</b>	<b>Mechanisms: Sliders and Levers</b> Children will design and make their own moving part page for a storybook		
<b>PSHE</b>	<b>PSHE Jigsaw piece 2: Celebrating Difference</b> This unit emphasises the importance of respecting ourselves and others. We will be exploring similarities between us and the qualities that make us unique.		
<b>Computing</b>	<b>Data and Information: Pictograms</b>		