

# CURRICULUM NEWSLETTER

MALTBY REDWOOD

Year One



Welcome to the Spring 1 edition of the Year 1 Willow newsletter. You will find lots of information about the curriculum, how to help your child at home and any other notes. If you have any questions, please ask the class teacher.

Our current learning journey is: **How is London different to Maltby?**

## Curriculum outline

**Reading:** This half term, we are continuing to use Read, Write Inc to learn sounds and blend them together to read decodable words. Some groups will also be reading nonsense words. They will also be sharing a selection of stories and giving our opinions on them.

**Writing:** This half term, children are writing narratives based on 'The Queen Unseen'. They will use the transcription approach to build up the story before writing their own. They will also be writing a fact file about London and its famous landmarks.

**Maths:** This half term's maths focus is numbers up to 20. Children will use equipment and pictorial representations to understand the value of teen numbers. Once this is secure, children will begin to add and subtract numbers within 20 using a range of equipment including number lines.

**Science:** The children will be learning about animals including humans. The children will be investigating the different species of animals and what group particular animals fall into.

**DT:** Children will create a fruit kebab linked to our healthy eating citizenship. They will taste test fruits and design their own kebabs before preparing and evaluating them.

**Geography:** Children will learn that England is part of the UK and that London is the capital City. They will use secondary sources and aerial images to study the features of London and compare this to Maltby.

## Helping your child at home

To support your child at home, you could:

- Listen to them read each night and record this in their planner
- Support and encourage them to complete any maths activity sent home. Orally practise counting in ones within 100 (especially backwards) and also counting in twos, fives and tens.
- Watch phonic videos sent home for your child's colour group.
- Practise reading any real and nonsense words sent home.

## Notes

- 5th January – Return to school
- 21st January – Stay and Maths @2.30pm
- 12th February – finish for half term

