Welcome to the Autumn 1 edition of the Year 1 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: What is the significance of The Gunpowder Plot?

## Curriculum outline

**Reading:** We are starting to develop our fluency through the use of a nonsense poem. We will be learning and consolidating sounds through RWI.

**Writing:** We will be writing a narrative based on the story of 'The Owl who was afraid of the dark' and a poem based on Firework Night.

**Maths:** We will focus on place value up to 10 and then use these skills to focus on addition and subtraction within 10.

**Science:** We will be learning all about everyday materials. We will look at what materials are and carry out investigations for what materials are waterproof/not waterproof and opaque/transparent.

**History:** We will be learning about Guy Fawkes and the events of The Gunpowder Plot. We will sequence events and discuss Bonfire Night celebrations.

**Art:** We will be focusing on abstract art by Kostas Korovilas. We will be looking at primary and secondary colours using powder paint to colour mix.

## 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.
- Access learning on EdShed
- Support and encourage them to complete the set maths activity.
- Watch the phonic videos posted on Dojo each week for your child's colour group.

## **Notes**

- 21st September-National Emergency Services Museum Visit
- 26th September-10th October-Book Fair
- 26th September-Wind in Willows production
- 28th September-McMillan Coffee Morning & Stay and Read
- 29<sup>th</sup> September-Gareth Baker Poet
- 3rd October-Dress up as a Fire Fighter and Virtual call with Guy Fawkes
- 18<sup>th</sup> October Parents Evening
- 20<sup>th</sup> October INSET day





