### **English**

The children will be learning to write a short piece based upon The way back home by Oliver Jeffers. They will be learning to include dialogue and speech marks, commas to indicate adverbs and adjectives to describe setting and characters. The children will then move on to writing a related piece of non-fiction. The 'Talk for Writing' approach will include drama, story mapping and boxing up as well as range of other creative writing techniques.

There will be regular Guided Reading sessions so that your child is heard reading every week. The children will have a daily SPAG session and their spellings will be related to sounds they have previously learned or are learning.

### PE and Games

In Games the children will begin with Cricket skills led by the Chance to Shine team. They will also have a weekly indoor yoga session where they will learn to hold a pose and develop mindfulness.

#### Music

The children will be developing listening skills and also their knowledge of a range of genres. Through this the class will be able to offer their opinions and be encouraged to express why they like or dislike different pieces of music. They will be given an opportunity to compose a piece of music using basic hand signals and percussion instruments and perform their completed works. We will be developing singing skills through weekly hymn practice.

### Science

The children will be developing their knowledge and understanding of materials. They will learn how different materials have different properties and will plan their own investigations to find out how different materials change. When planning their own investigations, the children will start to look at how to record their results accurately and draw conclusion from them. They will also do investigations linked to their topic.

# Year 2 Term 1 and 2

# Fantastic flight



**PSHE**— Our PSHE theme of Our Happy School will allow the children to explore new beginnings and understand what makes our community a happy place. Children will be asked how they can welcome new people or visitors to their school.

## Topic—

The children will be learning about significant people in history linked to flight such as The Wright Brothers, Amy Johnson and The Montgolfier Brothers. This will be taught in sequence to develop their understanding of a timeline.

**RE**— Our Christian value of the term is Peace and we will be returning to this through collective and class worship. Our key question in RE is: Who should you follow? We will also be looking at Harvest Festival and studying the Christmas story later in term 2.

### Computing

The children will be introduced to algorithms and coding through a range of activities, both practical and computer based. The children will use scratch to create their own coding.

### Art/DT

In DT the children will design, create and evaluate the making of a kite using different materials. In Art the children will study Matisse and sketch objects.

### Maths

Your child will be learning to estimate, order numbers and to know and use their number bonds effectively. They will double numbers, find more than and less than and use a marked number line. They will be solving more difficult addition and subtraction calculations. The children will be investigating and problem solving weekly to improve their thinking and mathematical skills. Shape and Money will also be a focus.