# Birch class Autumn I curriculum

# English

We are studying the book 'Lost and Found' to write our own adventure story. We will practise identifying nouns, pronouns, adjectives and conjunctions and will use these in our writing.

#### Read Write Inc

We are using Read Write Inc phonic scheme across the whole the school. We will be using the systematic synthetic phonics approach to teach the children reading, spelling and writing.

## Geography

Our Geography topic is 'Australia'. During these lessons we will be carrying out an area study of the country. We will learn about the human and physical features and compare the country to the UK. We will be looking at the country on maps and identifying the seasonal and weather patterns across Australia.

#### Art

The focus skill of our art lessons will be drawing and sculpture. We will use a range of materials to create artwork linked to the 'beauty of flowers' topic.

#### Music

This half term, the children will be receiving music lessons from Shropshire music service. They will focus on beat/rhythm and simple pitch matching and slowly be taught to play the ocarina (year 1) or recorder (year 2).

#### **PSHE**

The focus this term will be on Making friends; feeling lonely and getting help.

#### Matha

This halfterm, year I will be looking at place value (numbers within 10) and year 2 place value (numbers to 100).

#### Science

Our science topic is 'Animals including humans'. Children will look at how animals change as they grow up and be introduced to the life cycles of several varied common animals, including humans. They look in detail at how humans change as they grow older, drawing on their own observations. Children are introduced to the three basic needs of animals for survival (water, food and air).

#### PE

This half term, the children will have their lessons on Monday and Friday. The focus will be on dance (Monday) and the children will build up multi-skills with Embrace. (Friday)

#### RE

In RE, the children will be understanding what God means to Christians.

### Computing

The children will begin by learning about the basic features of a computer.

## Supporting learning at home

Reading-your child will bring home a reading book that will include the sounds we have been learning in school. If your child has a free reader book this can be read at home, It is also great to share other books from home with your child.

Please record any reading at home on Boom-Reader.