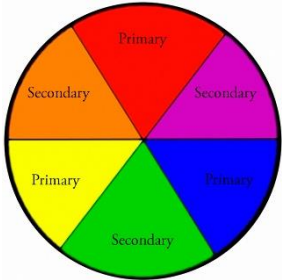


# Topic Learning Letter

Year One – Summer 1

<b>Topic</b>	Our topic this half term is <b>Wheels, Wings and Wonderful Things</b> . We will be having swimming every Wednesday afternoon, and the children will continue with Monday afternoon PE and Music with Mr Gilkes and Mrs Cass.
<b>Launch and Land</b>	We will launch our topic with a trip to Aerozone at Stansted Airport.  We will land our topic with bring your bike or scooter to school day.
<b>Science</b>	In science we will be continuing to look at seasons and think about the changes that happen through Spring and into Summer. We will also look at the forces of push and pull and how this effects how vehicles move. We will also investigate slopes and how this affects how far vehicles might move.
<b>Computing</b>	In computing we will be looking at Digital Painting where the children will learn about the different painting tools on a drawing application.
<b>Art</b>	<p>In art this half-term, our main focus is on painting. We will be exploring the life and works of Wassily Kandinsky through the story of 'The Noisy Paintbox'. We will experiment with different paintbrushes, different paints and explore how different music can make you paint in different ways. We will explore colour mixing by creating secondary colours from mixing primary colours.</p> 
<b>DT</b>	In DT this half-term, we will be looking at vehicles linked to our topic all about Wheels, Wings and Wonderful Things. To start off the topic, Mrs Armitage from our key text will come to visit the children. She will explain to the children that she would like a new vehicle for herself and her dog Breakspear. She has a set of criteria that she would like the children to meet. The children will look at the different components that make a vehicle such as wheels and axles, showing how they enable a vehicle to move forwards and backwards. The children will then design, make and then evaluate their own vehicles they make based on the criteria they came up with right at the beginning of the half-term. The children will have access to a wide range of materials to make their vehicles.
<b>History</b>	In history this half term, we will be following the enquiry: Why do we remember The Wright Brothers and Amelia Earhart? The children will discuss how and why transport may have changed over time and who was involved in these changes. The children will investigate at The Wright Brothers and Amelia Earhart and how they impacted the world. We will understand why this was so important to society back then and now.

<b>Music</b>	<i>In music we will be following a topic called 'Those Magnificent Men and Their Flying Machines'. We will continue working on using different types of beats and learning about pitch. We will explore with different ways of using our voices.</i>
<b>PSHE</b>	<p><i>In PSHE this half-term we will be following Jigsaw Jack and supporting him to learn more about relationships. We will consider people who are special to us – within our family, and our friends. We will discuss that makes a good friend and how we can use these qualities in ourselves to make new friends and widen our friendship circles. We will consider which people we can turn to for help in different situations, and we will think about our relationships and our families and what makes ours similar and different to others.</i></p> <p><i>The first lesson will have a focus on families, and how wonderful it is for people to have different types of families.</i></p> <p><b><i>The list of different family make-ups is endless and can change very quickly. Please contact your class teacher via email or through see-saw if there is anything you would like us to know prior to discussing this so we can pay extra attention to treat this lesson with appropriate sensitivity to any personal situations.</i></b></p>
<b>RE</b>	<i>This half term, our main enquiry is: What does the cross mean to Christians? We will explore the Easter story and the importance of the Easter festival to Christians.</i>
<b>PE</b>	<i>In PE with their class teacher, the children will go swimming. We will also be learning our May Day dances. In PE with Mrs Gilkes, the children will begin their summer sports with athletics.</i>
<b>Reminders</b>	<i>Please can all uniform, including shoes, be clearly named, and the names regularly refreshed where written in pen.</i>

*If you have any questions or concerns at all please talk to one of the Year One Team.*