

# **Arthur Bugler Primary School** **Parent Information Booklet**



**Year 1**  
**Autumn Term**  
**2021**

**Superheroes**

**Rio de Vida**

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Dear Parents/Guardians,

Welcome back to another busy, exciting and challenging year at Arthur Bugler Primary School. As the children move into Year 1 they will find the work more challenging but as transition week demonstrated they are more than ready for it. This information booklet has been put together to keep all parents and carers fully informed of what their children will experience this term.

**In Literacy** we will have great fun exploring Superheroes. We will look at cartoon superheroes and use these to inspire our own Writing and Reading. We will look at real-life superheroes such as, those working in the fire brigade and have a greater understanding of the important work they do to keep us safe. We will also explore carnivals and celebrations in our Rio de Vida topic.

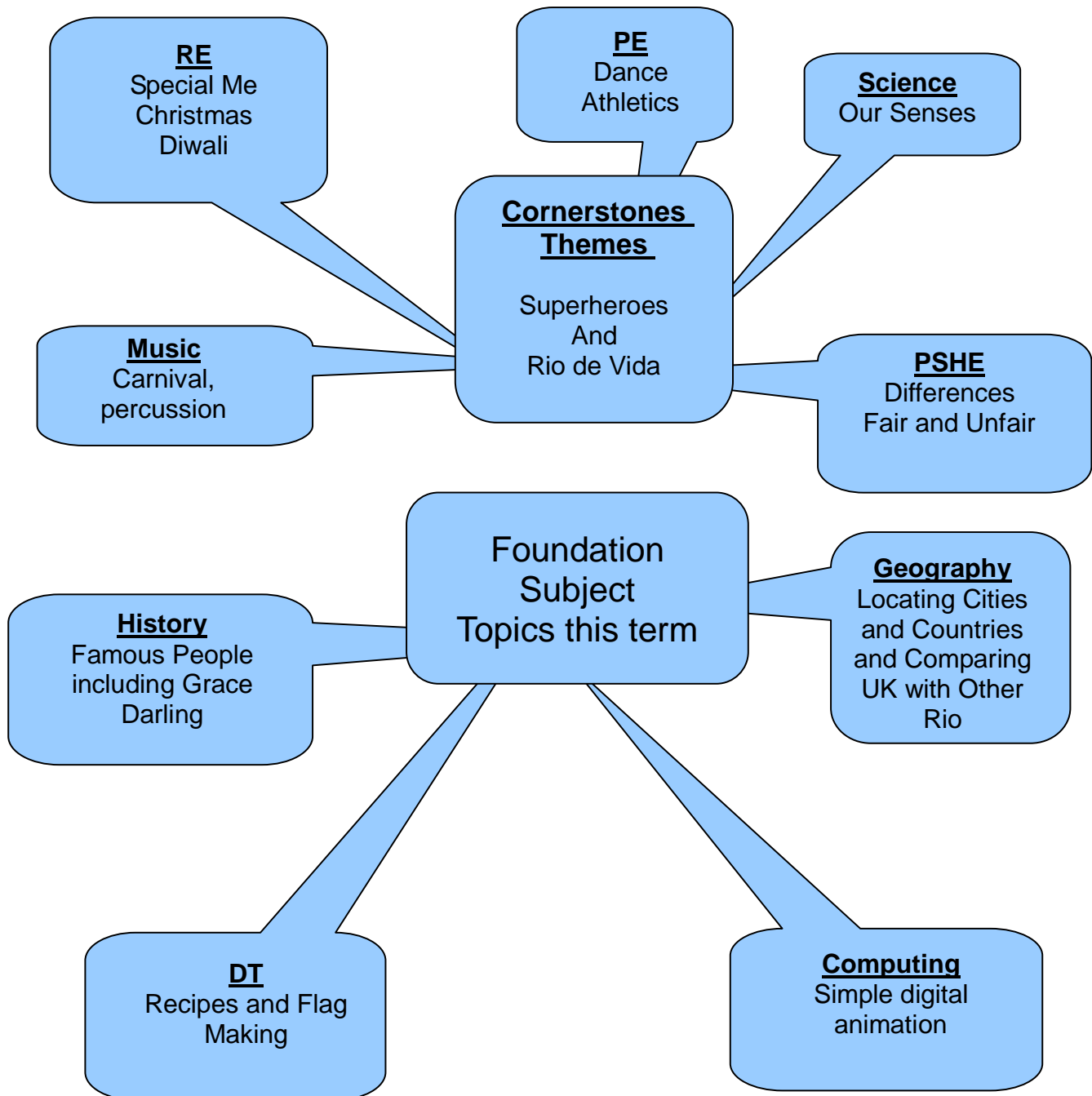
**In Mathematics** we will learn to add and subtract. We will learn to count by moving objects as we count. We will count larger amounts by grouping them into 2s, 5s or 10s and about the place value of one and two-digit numbers. Also, we will be learning about different 2-D shapes such as squares, circles and triangles but also hexagons, octagons and pentagons. We will also describe the properties of 3-D shapes such as spheres, cubes, cuboids, pyramids and cylinders.

### **Cornerstones – Superheroes**

Let's put on our capes and discover our superpowers as we search for an answer to the question, 'What is a superhero?' This half term, we'll describe our favourite superheroes, create fact files, read a range of comic books and write our own. Learning about real-life heroes from organisations such as the RNLI or the fire service, and from the past, for example Grace Darling, will allow us to appreciate human bravery. As part of this project, we'll explore our senses of smell, touch, taste, hearing and sight and investigate different foods. We'll also test our superpowers by climbing, running, jumping and moving to music. There'll be opportunities for us to create superhero works of art. We'll have plenty to share at the end of our project. We'll design colourful posters to show how 'superkids' should behave around school and create an exciting, whole-class superhero performance.

### **Cornerstones – Rio de Vida**

Put on your dancing shoes and get ready to party in Rio! This half term, we'll dress up in bright clothes, hang out the bunting and enjoy a carnival parade! Afterwards, we'll write about our carnival experiences, compose carnival poetry, create vibrant dances and play carnival rhythms. We'll learn to speak some Portuguese (the official language of Brazil), study maps and globes to locate Brazil and decide what it would be like to live there. As we learn more about Brazil, we'll explore famous legends, follow recipes to make Brazilian carnival treats and scour non-fiction books for fascinating facts. Reflecting on what we have learnt about Brazilian culture, we'll think about celebrations in different parts of the world and decide why people celebrate. Christmas will play a big part in this topic as it is a huge celebration. We'll also create colourful decorations, cards and bunting.



## General Information

Please make sure your child has:

- **Named P.E kit:** Shorts, T-shirt and plimsolls for indoor activities and jogging bottoms for winter PE; please ensure that everything including the PE bag and plimsolls are named;
- Book bag brought in daily (**No rucksacks and no keyrings** attached to book bags due to limited space);
- Named water bottle; this is important as children can drink water regularly while remaining in the classroom and avoid the queues at the water fountain;
- **All uniform named; absolutely everything must be named if it is not to go missing**;
- No jewellery is to be worn at any time during PE sessions. Please send your child in with their own micropore tape, if earrings have to be taped up. Long hair should be tied back before coming to school on a daily basis;
- Please do not bring personal toys/teddies to school as they can be easily lost.

## P.E days are as follows for Year 1 will be:

Monday and Wednesday

### Both classes will give the following homework:

- Spellings – to be given out on Thursday via Dojos and on Spelling Shed and tested the following Friday.
- To read daily – both the school reading book and favourite books at home or from the library. Please record all your reading on the GoRead App.
- We will share maths activities with you on the Dojos with any activities you can do at home to support your child's learning in school.

## Events in Year 1

**Autumn 1 term** – Superheroes Dressing Up Date – Monday 6<sup>th</sup> September 2021

**Autumn 2 term** – Year Group Carnival Parade/Christmas Performance

**Spring 2 Term** – dinosaur workshop visit

**Summer 1Term** – Colchester Zoo

If you do have any further questions and you wish to speak to us, please do not hesitate to make an appointment through the school office or message directly using Class Dojos.

**Miss Pugh, Mrs McAllister and Mrs Rushen**