## CHOLLERTON FIRST SCHOOL

## Year 1 Topic Letter SPRING TERM



Dear Parents,

Our topic this half term is sound.



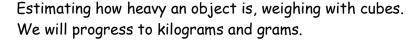


In **English** we will study "Town Mouse and Country Mouse" and "Lullabyhullaballoo".

Comparisons will be made between town and country. Please discuss visits you have made to towns, a city and the country: How were they different? What did you enjoy and dislike in both places? Which buildings did you visit and why?

We are learning how to write with tall and short letters and how to place letters on a line. Our spelling focus continues with short - 'oo', 'ee', 'ea', 'ai', 'oi'.

In Maths our topic is weight.

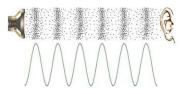






In **Number**, Y1 are learning about related facts between addition and subtraction, missing numbers, problems, pace value within 50. Counting in tens, larger numbers into tens and ones. One more and one less for numbers between 20 and 50..

In **Science**, we are thinking about sounds, different types of sound, how sound is made by vibration and how sound travels in waves.





In **ICT**, we will continue to improve our word processing skills, particularly using our left and right hands, using shift and punctuation keys.

We will learn about algorithms - a clear set of instructions.

In **Geography**, we are making comparisons between town and country. We will make a street map of Station Road in Barrasford. We will discuss how the buildings are different.





In **Humanities**, we are thinking about how messages are sent and how this has changed over the last 200 years. Continuing work on the countries which make up the United Kingdom.

In **Music**, we will listen to "Peter and the Wolf". We will learn about instruments in the orchestra.





In P.S.H.E. we will look at road safety and taking care of ourselves in busy places.

In Art, we are studying the artist Kandinsky, how he used abstract shapes and colours.





In **Design and Technology**, we are continuing to make our chairs and then we will begin to make story world boxes based on the children's imaginative interests.

In R.E., we are thinking about Easter. Easter is a time of new beginnings and sharing. We will extend our understanding of the cross being a Christian symbol.



## Ways to help your child:

- Please continue to learn weekly spelling patterns and hearing your child read regularly.
- 2. Please help your child with reading comprehension skills with "why?" and "how?" questions.
- 3. Please practice counting backwards from different numbers between 20 50 as this helps.
- 4. Please learn doubles, e.g. 7+7, 8+8, 9+9.

We greatly appreciate your help and all the comments in the reading record books.

If you have any queries, please get in touch.

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