



## Our Year 2 theme for this half term is: **Quirky Queens**



We will be:

### English

- Writing for a range of purposes e.g. information texts, book review and setting descriptions.
- Improving our spelling and using it accurately when we are writing.
- Using conjunctions (when, if, that, etc.) and suffixes ( \_ness, \_ment, \_ful, etc.) correctly

### Maths

- Solving a range of problems by choosing and using strategies that we have learnt so far.
- Explaining our maths thinking to others to show and deepen our understanding.
- Learning to read different scales when measuring mass, capacity, temperature, etc.

### Science

- Planning and carrying out an investigation to explore/challenge what we know about the growth of plants.
- Considering the similarities between all living things.

### Computing

- Using Lego WeDo to build models and then program them to move in specific ways.
- Creating and debugging simple programming sequences.
- e-safety awareness.

### Music

- Learning how to play a tuned instrument (ocarinas) exploring pitch and tone.
- Be able to switch between notes to be able to play a simple tune.

### Design Technology

- Selecting and using a range of different tools and materials.
- Designing and making royal themed bunting.

### R.E.

- Developing an understanding of Judaism.

### P.E.

- Learning a traditional style of dancing.
- Working successfully with a partner.
- Performing a dance to another class.

### History

- Looking at similarities and differences between Queens from 2 different eras.
- Exploring a castle to develop an understanding of how Monarchs lived centuries ago.
- Handling a range of artefacts and exploring what they were used for.

### How you can support your child.

- Help your child to complete some Topic Homework suggestions.
- Continue to read with your child, little and often, making time to talk about the events/information, characters, vocabulary chosen, etc. Encourage them to answer questions by looking back at the text and explaining how they know.
- Use maps, atlases or globes to identify countries, continents and oceans and to explore the world.