

# Shelton Infant School



## Class 5

### Curriculum Newsletter Autumn Term 1 2020



*Our topic is: Myself and my world*

**English** This half term will be focusing on saying and writing full sentences. We will be recapping using capital letters and full stops correctly and using our phonic knowledge to help us spell. A big focus this half term will be handwriting, making sure we form our letters correctly and knowing if each letter is a tall letter, middle sized letter or underground letter. We will be doing an author study of Jill Murphy and we will write a biography about her. We will also do some story writing based on Jill Murphy's stories.

**Maths** In Maths this half term we will be focusing on number fluency. It is very important that children can count forwards and backwards to 100 starting from any number. To achieve this we will practice counting daily, please practice this at home too! We will learn about place value, finding out how many tens and ones a 2 digit number contains and then use different equipment to show this such as base 10 and tens frames. We will then use this understanding of number to add and subtract two digit numbers.

**Science** In Science we will be conducting an experiment to find out why it is very important to wash our hands. We will plan, predict, carry out and collect results from our experiment just like real scientists.

**Geography** In Geography we will be doing a study of our local area and finding out how Shelton Lock and Allenton have changed over time. We will go on a local walk to spot the human and physical features that are all around us and then we will think about how we could improve a local park to make it better for the families who live nearby. We will draw maps and plans to show what our dream park would have and label it with a key.

**History** In History we will be learning about significant people and linking it to our local study learning in Geography. The significant people we will be learning about are Charles Rolls and Henry Royce. We will read biographies of them, compare maps of the Rolls Royce factory in the past and now and then design our cars of the future.

**RE** In RE we will be finding out about the Muslim faith. We will look at artefacts that are special to Muslims and find out about the festivals of Ramadan and Eid. We will listen to stories from the Qur'an and find out about the links between Christianity and Islam.

**Music** In Music we will be listening to a piece of classical music called Finlandia by Jean Sibelius. We will learn about and name the instruments you would find in an orchestra and then create our own music based on Finlandia. We will write our compositions down using picture symbols for the different instruments. We will be using the musical vocabulary dynamics, timbre and tempo.

**ICT** In ICT we will be looking at technology in our everyday lives. We will learn how to research a topic and create an information poster with colourful text and images. We will learn how to save and print our work. We will also learn about how to stay safe online.

**PE** In PE will be working on improving our fitness using different activities. We will be challenging ourselves to do our "Personal Best" in some sprinting and jumping activities by developing our agility, balance and coordination.

#### **Helping your child at home.**

Fluency in reading is a key skill for children and regular reading at home is a crucial part of this. Please try to read with your child regularly to support the work we do in school. Please encourage your child to complete their homework and hand it in by Monday morning. Spelling tests will be every Friday morning, please help your child to practice their spellings each week.

*Have fun!*

*Aim high!*

*Achieve well!*