## Curriculum Newsletter Autumn 1 2023 Fireflies Class





## All about me

**As Readers** we will be learning a journey story called Little Charlie. The children will be retelling the story using story maps, actions and drama. They will use the structure of the story to help them create a new version, making a tool-kit to help them with their own innovation.





**As Writers** we will be practising sentence composition orally, learning about verbs and adjectives and different sentence types. We will create collections of interesting vocabulary to add detail to our sentences and learn about using the past tense.

As Mathematicians we will be beginning the year counting, reading, writing and representing numbers using different resources and equipment. We will practice partitioning numbers into tens and ones, ordering numbers by size and using the greater than and less than signs to compare numbers. We will be learning the number bonds to 10, 20 and then 100





**As Scientists** we are learning about materials, their properties and how they can be used in real life situations. We will test materials to see if they are waterproof or absorbent, making simple predictions based on what we know and then applying this to different situations.

**As Explorers** we will be learning about our local area. We will study maps and aerial photographs and identifying human and physical features of the village. We will also find out about how the fens have changed since their drainage and find out how they are protected from flooding.





**As Artists and Designers** we will be learning about how people have been represented in portraits by different artists. We will study different styles and techniques, considering what each portrait suggests about the subject. We will experiment with creating our own portraits using clay, watercolours and sketching.

**As Olympians** we will be practising our racket and ball skills. We will be improving our hand eye co-ordination by throwing, catching and hitting a ball with a racket. We will work in pairs and small groups to play team games and to support each other to improve. We will also take part in a weekly Yoga session, using breathing techniques, stretching and balancing to improve our strength and flexibility and helping us to develop some mindfulness strategies.



This overview is intended to give you a flavour of what we will be learning this half term. If your child would like to share any learning that they have done at home, please feel free to write it on a post-it note and send it into school or post photographs on Class Dojo so that we can celebrate their achievements.