## Ladybirds Curriculum Newsletter – Autumn Term 2



**As Readers** we will be learning the story of Scrooge. This will cover the children being able to retell all, or parts of the story with the use of their story map.





**As Mathematicians** we will be spending time ensuring we have a secure knowledge and understanding addition, subtraction, multiplication and division. We will also start to look at fractions and shape.

As Writers we will be undertaking some short burst writing with the use of an image to describe a setting. We will be exploring persuasive writing and compiling a letter to Scrooge to persuade him that his requests are unreasonable. We will be acting out some scenes and ending the term with the children writing their own story about a troubled character who learns and lesson and changes their way.

**As Artists and Designers,** we will embark on a design adventure to design and create our own felt pillow cases. This will include an original thought and a series of adaptations before creating our final product with accurate measurements for our phones to be kept safely in.



**As Scientists** we will learn about light and what that means for us. We will look at key terms and vocabulary and participate in practical tasks to further our understanding of how light travels and is refracted.



**As Historians** we are learning about the British Empire, Queen Victoria and what it was like to live in this era. We will explore what it was like for a child of 9 or 10 to be alive at this time and how laws changed to protect children and keep them in education for longer.



As athletes we will be learning about invasion games — this half term is Dodgeball. We will spend time each week practising a necessary skill to play a game or two before we break up for half term. Invasion games include the physical skills to play the game, but we will also work on communication and teamwork as these are key to a successful team.



**As Linguists** we will be learning French and exploring clothing and colours. Je Porte une robe bleue!



**As Theologians** we will be studying Christianity and why Mary was chosen to be the mother of Jesus.



**As Musicians** we will be learning Classroom Jazz. We will notice the different instruments, beat and lyrics. We are hopeful that we can start to learn parts of the song on an instrument in school!

This overview is intended to give you a flavour of what we will be learning this half term. If you recognise any of this 'good learning' at home, please feel free to message on Dojo with photos or write it on a post it note and send it into school so that we can add it to your child's learning. This will help us to recognise the next steps in learning that your child needs to take