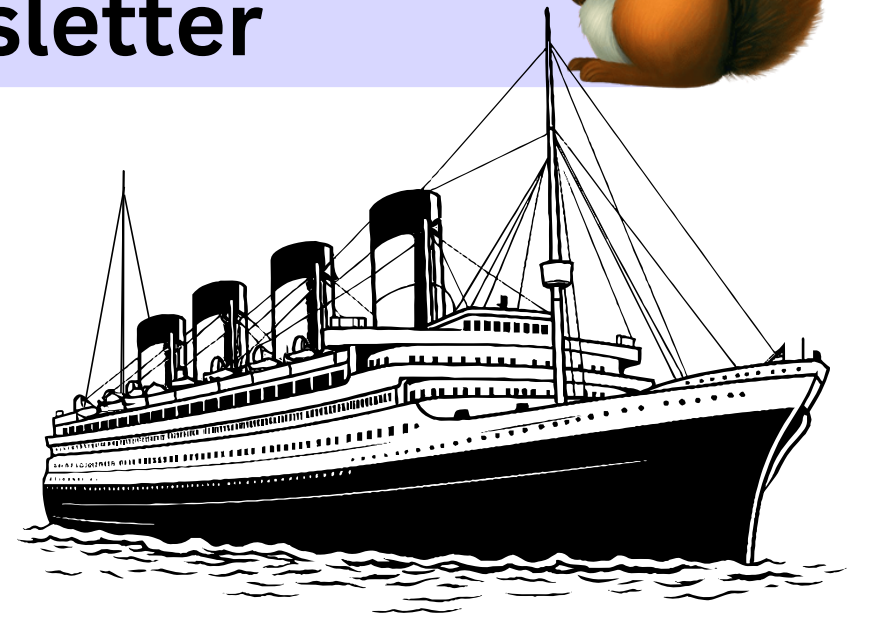




# YEAR 1/2 SQUIRRELS

## Spring 2

### Curriculum Newsletter



**This half term our curriculum scheme is:**  
Navigation - Compass directions and Maps  
**Our enquiry question is:**  
Why are maps and compasses useful?

#### ENGLISH - WRITING

In English the children will be writing instructions. We will explore the importance of compasses through drama and use that to help our writing. They will then be writing a guide to growing plants.



#### ENGLISH - READING

The children will continue to make great progress with their RWI phonics and reading programme.

Some of our children have progressed to our reading comprehension group, learning to read longer texts and answer detailed questions.



#### MATHEMATICS

Working within their year group level, the children will be working upon units involving, addition and subtraction, measurements and capacity, mass and temperature.



#### Geography

In geography the children will be studying navigation. They will investigate different forms of maps and why we may use them. They will also look at keys and the symbols used on a map. They will also be looking at compasses and their main direction points. They will then be creating their own map at the end of the unit.



#### SCIENCE

This half term we will be learning about plants. We will focus on the parts of a plant and what they need to survive and grow. Whilst learning about plants we will develop our ability to work scientifically.



#### ART

This half term the children will be studying the artist Wassily Kandinsky. They will be looking at his abstract art work. They will also recap primary and secondary colours and use these within their final art piece which will be inspired by Kandinsky's artwork.



#### COMPUTING

This term the children will be looking at data and information. They will look at labelling information into groups and inputting information.



#### RE

In RE the children will be answering the question how do Jewish people celebrate Passover. To do this they will learn what Passover is and the story of Exodus. They will investigate what Jews do to prepare for Passover and what they do during Passover.



#### Music

The children will continue to develop their love and knowledge for different genres of music. We will be preparing for our playground proms. We will be singing the 'Anthem' song and 'What a Wonderful World'.



#### PSHE

In PSHE the children's topic is Healthy Me. We will be looking at ways to keep ourselves healthy, through exercise, what we eat and daily hygiene.

