#### Science

The theme for this half term is 'Seasonal Changes'. We will be thinking about the different seasons across the whole year and comparing weather around the world. We will go on a weather to observe and record the local weather.

### PE:

The PE focus for this half term is 'games'. The children will be learning skills developing balance, agility and coordination.

Topaz: Monday Opal: Thursday

## RE

In RE the children will be exploring the question **'Why are we thankful?'** We will discuss things we are grateful for and learn about showing gratitude for others.

# Year 1 - Autumn 1

## **Fairy tales and Castles!**

This half term we will start with a focus on poetry. In Literacy, we will read the fairy tale poem 'Hey, Let's go!' by James Carter. We will be reciting and writing our own exciting poems as a class and performing them to each other.

This half term, we are also looking forward to learning about lots of different fairy tales, including 'Rumpelstiltskin', 'Rapunzel' and an alternative version of the 'Three Little Pigs'. We are studying the sequence of a fairy tale and looking at how we can include lots of descriptive vocabulary in our writing.

In History, we are exploring the features of a castle and looking into the lives of famous kings and queens.

In Design and Technology, we are planning and making our own castle models with recycled materials which can be used in our small world play.

In Art, we are using paints to develop our own techniques exploring the use of colour, pattern, textures, line and shapes. We will also be doing observational paintings of castles in the style of the architect Jeffrey Wyattville. Wider Curriculum Outdoor learning: Planting vegetables in our Edible Playground

Health and Wellbeing: Our new Well-being area and learning basic Yoga skills Enrichment: Visit from Poet James Carter

Maths We will be counting forwards and backwards to 100 and learning our number bonds to 10, 20 and 100.

Please don't hesitate to contact us if you have any concerns about your child's progress. The year group email is year1@rockmount.croydon.sch.uk

Useful links: National curriculum <u>https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/national-curriculum-in-england-primary-curriculum</u> Twitter @RockmountPS