

## YEAR 2 ~ AUTUMN 1<sup>ST</sup> HALF TERM – 2020/2021

Key Concept Words  
**Achievement, Dreams, Self-Growth**

### *Come and See*

In the topic Beginnings the children will be learning 'Who made the world and everything in it?' They will know and understand the many beginnings each day offers and that God is present in every beginning. Children will look at scripture related to creation and will write their own prayers and litany related to the topic of Beginnings.



The next topic Signs and Symbols the children will discuss 'Are signs and symbols important?' They will know and understand that they belong to God's family at home, at school and in the church family. The children will also know and understand the signs and symbols of Baptism.

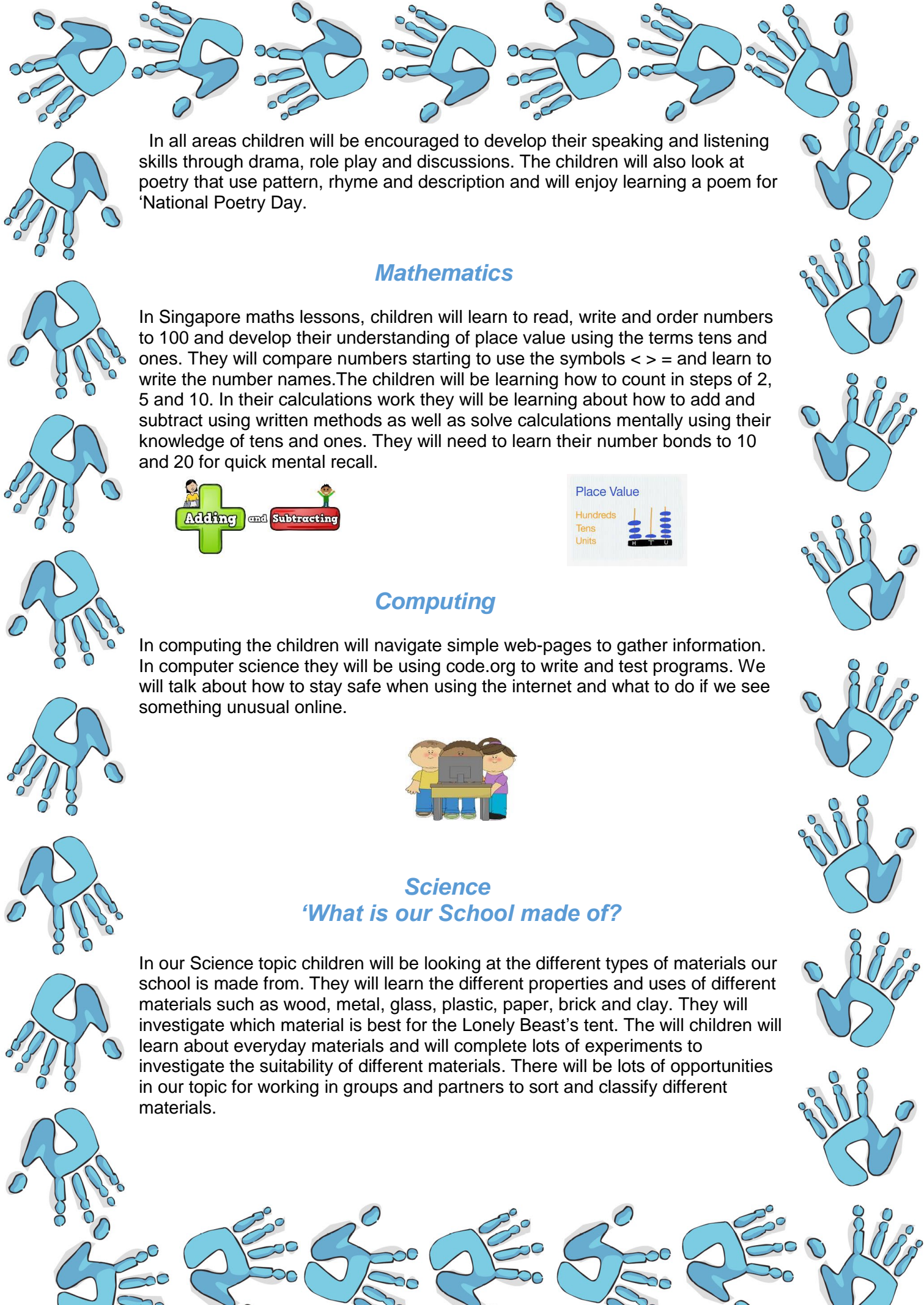


### *English*



In English this term our focus texts will be based on the Lonely Beast series of books. The children will learn about how to sequence stories and make storyboards, write character profiles and write letters to the characters in the stories. They will have the opportunity for role play and drama linked to the stories. Their focus for grammar will be different sentence types, statement, command, question and exclamation. They will look at word classes such as nouns, adjectives and verbs. When writing children will be encouraged to use a fullstop, capital letter and question mark accurately. Spelling this term will focus on learning to spell all common exception words for year 1 and 2. Handwriting will focus on the correct size and shape of letters and spacing of words correctly.

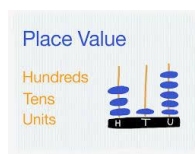
The children will continue with their guided reading sessions using the Read, Write, Inc texts as well as reading a range of books from our school library. The focus for reading this term is to build up fluency and automatic recall of words when reading. The children will also be expected to be reading lots of different texts outside of school.



In all areas children will be encouraged to develop their speaking and listening skills through drama, role play and discussions. The children will also look at poetry that use pattern, rhyme and description and will enjoy learning a poem for 'National Poetry Day.

### Mathematics

In Singapore maths lessons, children will learn to read, write and order numbers to 100 and develop their understanding of place value using the terms tens and ones. They will compare numbers starting to use the symbols  $<$   $>$   $=$  and learn to write the number names. The children will be learning how to count in steps of 2, 5 and 10. In their calculations work they will be learning about how to add and subtract using written methods as well as solve calculations mentally using their knowledge of tens and ones. They will need to learn their number bonds to 10 and 20 for quick mental recall.



### Computing

In computing the children will navigate simple web-pages to gather information. In computer science they will be using code.org to write and test programs. We will talk about how to stay safe when using the internet and what to do if we see something unusual online.



### Science

#### 'What is our School made of?'

In our Science topic children will be looking at the different types of materials our school is made from. They will learn the different properties and uses of different materials such as wood, metal, glass, plastic, paper, brick and clay. They will investigate which material is best for the Lonely Beast's tent. The will children will learn about everyday materials and will complete lots of experiments to investigate the suitability of different materials. There will be lots of opportunities in our topic for working in groups and partners to sort and classify different materials.

## Geography

The children will be learning about their town Widnes. They will use atlases and maps to locate it and identify the different countries that make up the United Kingdom. They will look at the different features in Widnes focusing on natural and man-made. The children will be drawing their own simple maps of our school learning to use a key from looking at aerial pictures using google earth.



## Creative Arts

The Art and DT will be related to our topics of the Lonely Beast and Science. They will develop and record ideas through painting and drawing using first hand observations using pastels and charcoals. The children will listen to and respond to music- discuss choices of music for key moments in the 'Lonely Beast' story and use untuned musical instruments to retell the story.

## PSHE

The children will be learning about the significance of World Peace Day and developing their understanding of the wider world. During Staying Safe Week, we will focus on how we can stay safe. We will give the pupils the knowledge and skills to keep themselves safe in the world today, especially focusing on how to stay safe during the Covid pandemic.



## P.E

The children will perform movements with control and they will be encouraged to challenge themselves to develop strength and flexibility in gymnastics. In games they will develop the skills of throwing, catching, sending and receiving different types of equipment