Year 1 Spring 2 -What makes someone a hero?

Hello Year 1!

This term we will be answering the question: What makes someone a hero? To do this, we will be learning about both fictional and real-life heroes. We will consider the qualities that make someone a hero. We will research famous real-life heroes from the past and explore the lives of some women from 'Bold Women in Black History'.

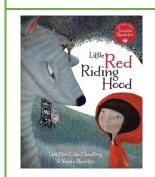
In English we will be reading traditional tales. We will be focussing on independently writing narratives and extending sentences with adjectives and conjunctions. Our favourite 5 stories this term will explore traditional tales, and also some traditional tales with a twist! In Geography we will learn about human and physical features. We will do some fieldwork looking at features of our local area. We are also excited to make some amazing creations in DT. Children will think about how to keep themselves healthy and strong like a super hero in PSHE, and make super smoothies in cooking.

What a busy and exciting term we have ahead!

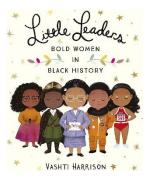
Key vocabulary			
Hero	A person who is admired for their courage, outstanding achievements, or qualities.		
Villain	A character whose evil actions are important to the story plot.		
Significant individual	A person whose achievements have impacted on the world that we live in today.		



Key texts







Maths	History/Geography	Creative
As Poplar mathematicians, we will begin to explore measurement. Including measurement of length, height, weight and volume. We will begin by comparing measurements and will then will carefully introduce the use of measuring tools such as rulers, weighing scales and containers. We will be consolidating our knowledge of addition and subtraction, using different strategies to work out worded problems. There will also be activities relating to numbers to 50 and ensuring we can confidently identify tens and ones.	In Geography, we will explore maps and name continents. We will be learning about human and physical features of our local environment.	In DT lessons, we will be designing and creating a moving picture. We will use our scientific knowledge of materials to help decide the most appropriate material. In Music, our genre this term is Latin music. In cooking, we will use our knowledge of healthy foods to create a smoothie fit for a superhero, to give them all of the goodness they need to make them healthy and active!
English	Science	RE/PSHE
This term, in English, the children will be reading traditional tales, including ones they already know and love, and others that have a twist to the original plot. We will focus on story characters, and will consider how we know whether a character is a hero or a villain, and how this can change throughout the story. As traditional tales are well-known and repetitive, the children will have plenty of opportunities this term to plan and re-tell stories, making little adaptions to make them their own.	As Poplar scientists, we will be identifying and naming common animals and grouping them based on their characteristics. We will be retrieving knowledge from earlier in the year about the human body, drawing and labelling different body parts.	This term, in RE our Topic is 'Life Journey - Christianity'. We will be exploring the theme of charity and how charity supports communities. At the end of term, we will be revisiting the Easter story. PSHE will focus on 'Healthy Me'. The children will be thinking about how to make healthy choices, keep safe and how to build healthy friendships.