

English

Writing: We have so many wonderful books to enjoy this half term! We will be reading: Lots: The Diversity of Life on Earth and writing a setting description,

Reading: We will be picking up the pace in our reading and focusing on increasing our speed of reading. We will practise by learning to use the VIPERS skills to answer comprehension questions. A large focus this half term is to increase our confidence in reading and referring back to the text to find the answers.

Our whole class reader is Pippi Longstocking by Lauren Child.

Geography

Our new topic is `Continents & Oceans` and our key question is `What are the 7 continents and 5 oceans of the world?` The children will use maps, atlases and Google Earth to explore the oceans and continents.

PE

Our PE Days will be on **Tuesday** and a **Friday**. The children will come to school in their PE kits- black leggings/joggers, white t-shirts and a school hoodie/jumper. Our topics this term are gymnastics and team building with Manchester United.

PSHE

Our theme in PSHE is `Zones of Regulation`. The children will learn about their different feelings and begin to identify them. They will explore scenarios where they may feel upset, cross or frustrated and create their own toolbox of techniques that will help them.

French

The children will continue to work with Madame Adam and learn simple sentences and phrases in French.

Computing

The children will build on their programming knowledge by using Scratch Jr. The children will identify different blocks and explain their basic use. They will Create a simple sequence of instructions using at least three different blocks and learn to identify errors and debug their code effectively.



Music

Our topic is `Space` where the children will learn to use instrumental skills to create their own short pieces of music. This term they will focus on dynamics and tempo.

Religion

Our R.E. topic this half term is `Desert to Garden`. The children will learn all about the different parts of the Mass, why Mass is so important and how it helps us to follow in the footsteps of Jesus.

Maths

Multiplication and Division: The children will continue to learn their 2, 5, & 10 times tables. They will learn how to use times table to help them with dividing. Key words: multiply, times, divide, share, group.

Length and Height The children will learn how to measure in cm and m accurately, order lengths and heights and solve word problems involving length and height.

Mass Capacity & Temperature:

The children will learn to:

- Measure mass in grams and kilograms and compare weight
- Measure volume and capacity in millilitres and litres
- Measure temperature in degrees Celsius using a thermometer

Science

Children will be learning all about `Living Things and their Habitats`. The children will explore and learn about the different habitats animals live in. The habitats the children will explore are: rainforests, oceans, Arctic, Antarctic and deserts.

DT

To children will learn about structures and create their own chair. They will investigate different methods of strengthening structures

How Can I Help My Child?

- Daily reading for 15 -20 minutes.
- Take time for homework. Homework will be handed out on a Tuesday and returned on Monday.
- TT Rockstars for TimesTables

The following website is useful to help practise basic skills. Remember to select ages 5-7.

<https://www.topmarks.co.uk/maths-games/5-7-years/counting>