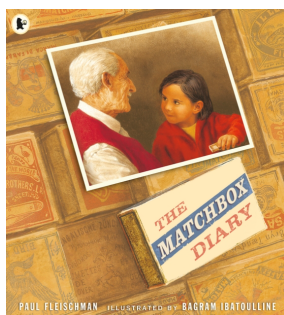


Dear Parents and Carers,

Our topic title for this new half term is "What makes a house a home?" and we have some exciting activities planned for the children. We will study the human and physical geography of the regions of Wales and Italy and build our knowledge of the United Kingdom and the wider world using compasses and grid references. We will also always link our learning to our partnership school Njoro DEB in Kenya and the Global Goals.



### English

This term, we will be exploring the high quality text *The Matchbox Diary*. There will be lots of opportunities for cross-curricular reading and writing as we discover the story that is revealed when each matchbox is opened. The little girl and her great-grandfather tell a fascinating tale of a journey across the sea.

### Maths

This term we will be focusing on increasing our recall speed of the 3x multiplication facts and learning the 4x multiplication facts. Our Maths learning will focus on multiplying a 2 digit number by a 1 digit number using exchange and dividing a 2 digit number by a 1 digit number with remainders. We will also be adding and subtracting lengths and calculating perimeter. This learning will be facilitated using concrete materials such as base 10 materials and counters and visual representations such as place value charts. Our learning will focus on securing fluency of concepts and then moving on to solving problems and explaining mathematical reasoning.



### Science

In our weekly Science lessons we will learn that living things can be grouped in a variety of ways and we will explore and use classification keys to help group, identify and name a variety of living things in their local and wider environment. We will also learn about how environments can change and that this can sometimes pose dangers to living things.

### Computing

We will develop our understanding of how digital images can be changed and edited, and how they can then be resaved and reused. We will also consider the impact that editing images can have, and evaluate the effectiveness of our choices.

## ***History and Geography***

To link with our English, we will be looking at journeys to different regions such as Wales and Italy. We will compare human and physical geographical features and use maps to locate and identify landmarks. We will also study how mountains are formed.

## ***RE***

Our RE learning will focus on the faiths of Christianity and Judaism. We will find out reasons why Christians call Jesus, Saviour and explore the concept of salvation. We will also learn about how Christians live their lives as disciples. Then we will move on to reflect on why and how Jews worship and learn about the importance of the Covenant for Jews and the key features in a synagogue.

## ***French***

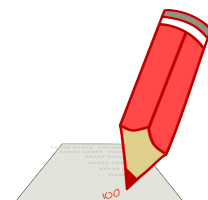
We will be focusing on building vocabulary of everyday words and phrases in French.

## ***PE***

Children will have a PE lesson with Multiflex on a Monday afternoon and a Wednesday afternoon. Pupils should come into school on these days wearing PE kit.

## **Ways to help your child**

**Homework** - We will set homework on Fridays and the activities will be prepared and available in the children's blue books. Please complete the English and Maths activity and hand in by the following Wednesday.



**English:** Children will be asked to read aloud and get their reading diaries signed weekly after reading at home three times. The children need to access Spelling shed to take part in spelling activities linked to the weekly spellings that we are learning in class.



**Maths:** Children will be asked to log in to Times Tables Rockstars to improve their recall of the 2,5,10, 3, 4 and 8 multiplication and division facts <https://play.ttrockstars.com/>. Please complete 5 garage games per week.

We will regularly post photos of our class work and activities on Twitter. You do not need a Twitter account to be able to access the page - just search for Wincham CP Twitter.

If you would like to get in touch with us with non-urgent information, please email us via the class email address [hedgehogs@winchamcp.cheshire.sch.uk](mailto:hedgehogs@winchamcp.cheshire.sch.uk)

We are looking forward to an exciting term with the Hedgehogs!

Mrs Bates and Mrs Harrison