Spring Term

Class 2 Newsletter



History

Our Topic this half term is about the history of flight. We will be learning about the Wright brothers and their invention of the first successful aeroplane, and why this event was so significant in the evolution of flying





We will also find out about other impactful flying inventions over time, as well as other significant individuals who flew, such as Amelia Earhart. We will learn about her solo flight across the Atlantic and her attempt to cross the pacific, and why this was important at the time. We will consider what clues the history of flight might give us about what the future holds, ahead of learning about space travel in the Summer term.

English

Our English work this term will be centred around adventure narratives and journey tales. We will be looking at Aaron Becker's award-winning picture book "Journey" and using it to work on our sentence construction skills. We will learn how to expand and develop our sentences, using our knowledge of word classes. We will then write letters in role as the Wright brothers, about their landmark flight. Following this, we will use an animated video called 'Taking Flight' to imagine our own adventures and journeys.









D.T.

We will continue our learning about moving mechanisms in DT by learning about axles and how to make wheels move. We will follow a design brief to plan, design and build a Ferris wheel. Our DT project will involve using our knowledge of the properties of materials to select appropriate materials, test out ways of connecting parts and strengthen and stabilise structures.

Wider Curriculum

Our R.E. this term is about Hinduism, the concept of Dharma and how Hindu people treat special things such as shrines and sculptures of deities with reverence and respect. Our PSHE is about Keeping and Staying Healthy. In Computing we will learn to combine text and images. Our 'Kapow' Music lessons will be about rhythms, structure and texture in pieces of music, learnt through the telling of myths and legends. PE will be on various days this half term, so kits should be brought in and kept in school for the half term, please. Lessons will be a mixture of indoor and outdoor PE, so please make sure your child has tracksuit bottoms or leggings in their PE bag for colder days, as well as their black shorts for indoor PE.