



This newsletter is to let you know what your child's class will be learning about this half term.

English In English we shall be basing our work around the book 'The Wind in the Willows' by Kenneth Grahame. We will be focusing our learning around story writing, including detailed descriptions of characters and setting and using speech and paragraphs. Further work will cover misconceptions with certain elements of grammar. Bespoke reading sessions will take place every day to ensure children have the skills to answer a range of questions and complete pure reading activities.



Maths In our maths work we will be focusing on a range of areas to ensure readiness for Y5. We will cover work on fractions and decimals and shape, looking at 2D shape and symmetry and co-ordinates linked to shape. We will also focus on using money to convert, add, subtract and solve real life problems.

Science Our science topic this half-term will be states of matter and will focus around three core objectives:

- To compare and group materials together, according to whether they are solids, liquids or gases.
- To observe that some materials change state when they are heated or cooled, and measure or research the temperature at which this happens in degrees Celsius (°C)
- To identify the part played by evaporation and condensation in the water cycle and associate the rate of evaporation with temperature.

PE Please remember PE days are Wednesdays and Thursdays. If your child wears earrings, these need to be removed for PE. If they are new piercings, they will need to be covered for the day of PE.

ART/DT This half-term the children will be learning about Monet and the use of painting linked to water. They will learn how artists learn light and colour and to paint in the style of an impressionist. We will focus on mood, effect and brush technique.



COMPUTING This half-term the children will learn how to search for information effectively using the internet. They will learn how to input search data and analyse the effectiveness and quality of searches.

WIDER CURRICULUM During this half term the children will start the new unit about Rivers. They will learn what a river is and the physical and human features linked to them. They will learn about the water cycle and how rivers have changed over time. The work will look at the relationship between water and people and we will study maps and grid references based around rivers of the world.

RE We will finish our topic entitled Why are Gurus at the heart of Sikh belief and practice? And begin our new unit learning about the five pillars of Islam. The work will focus on the five pillars and the qualities in people they represent.

Music Our new music scheme is called Charanga. All the learning is focused around the Beatles song: Blackbird. The children will listen to and appraise a range of Beatles songs and engage in various activities based around the songs before learning to sing and performing them.

Water bottles-It is important for children to keep hydrated throughout the day. Please allow your child to bring their named water bottle into school so they can have a drink. These will be sent home each day until the COVID 19 restrictions are eased.

