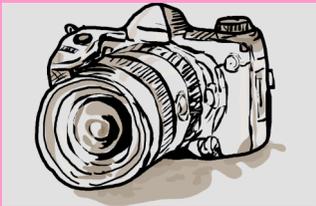


Computing

Our unit this half term is '**We are Travel Presenters**'. In this unit the children will use maps to explore and research a locality. They will visit this locality and take digital images and video during the trip. They will then edit the photographs and create a short animated slideshow, with narration and music, to document their educational visit.



Religious Education

This half term the children will learn about living a Sikh life. They will learn about the significance of the Amrit Ceremony to a Sikh. They will look at the Sikhs' Code of Conduct and compare these practices with their own personal values and views.



Reading

We recommend that you read with your child every day for 15 to 20 minutes. This will help them to develop a word bank which they can use in their school work.

Reading is very important and aids your child's knowledge of punctuation, sentence structure and story structure. Your child will learn more effectively if they read more at home.

Spelling & Homework

Homework tasks can be found on the Homework Passport. Each task is in a project style which will allow your child to choose how he/she wants to present his/her work, based on a given topic.

Spellings will be sent home on a Friday and children will have to find out the meaning of each word as well as learn the spelling for the following Friday.

If you have the internet at home, your child has a unique username and password that they can use to access Mathletics, an online programme subscribed to by the school, to help our children to improve and reinforce their maths skills.

<http://uk.mathletics.com/signin/>

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English

Our main text this half term is:

'**Varjak Paw**' by **SF Said**.



Varjak Paw is a Mesopotamian Blue kitten. He lives high up in an old house on a hill. He's never left home, but then his grandfather tells him about the Way - a secret martial art for cats. Now Varjak must use the Way to survive in a city full of dangerous dogs, cat gangs and, strangest of all the mysterious Vanishings.

The children will also be reading a variety of other texts for pleasure and to enhance their reading comprehension skills. They will be writing in different styles and learning how to check and edit their work. There will be a strong focus on handwriting, vocabulary, grammar and spelling.

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We teach our children:

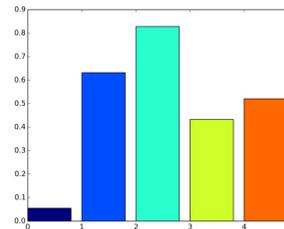
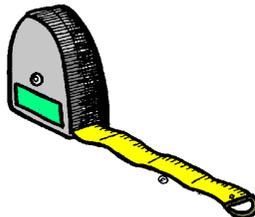
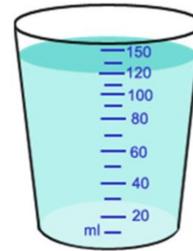
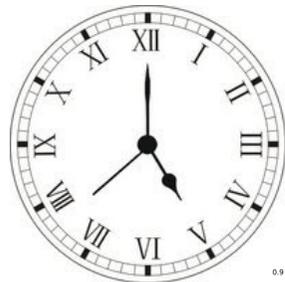
Responsibility
Initiative
Curiosity
Optimism

Independence
Generosity
Perseverance
Social Intelligence

Mathematics

Children will be extending their understanding of measures and interpreting sets of data. They will also be securing their understanding of number facts and shapes. The children will measure capacities in litres and millilitres and understand their equivalence. They will carry out enquiries requiring the use of surveys and measurement and display their results using bar charts and Venn & Carroll diagrams. They will continue to solve one-step and two-step problems involving numbers, money or measures, including time and carry out appropriate calculations.

Strong emphasis will be placed on improving children's reasoning skills, mental arithmetic skills and times-tables knowledge. They will continue to learn Roman Numerals up to C (100).



IPC

We will be following a unit of work on a theme that focuses on '**Save the World-Rainforests**'. Rainforests once covered 20% of our world's surface. Now they cover only 5%. The children will learn about where rainforests are in the world and which rainforest products we use in our everyday lives. They will learn about the lives of rainforest people and how they compare with our own. The children will research how and why the rainforest is being destroyed and the ways that people are trying to save the rainforest. They will learn about rainforest body art and painting portraits in a similar style. They will also use art to create a rainforest scene.

Physical Education

In our unit on '**Games**' the children will focus on developing the skills they need for net/wall games and how to use these skills to make the game difficult for their opponent. They will learn to direct the ball towards the target area and away from their opponent. In all activities, the children will have to think about how they will use skills, strategies and tactics to outwit the opposition.

PE is every Friday
Please ensure that
your child brings to
school the correct
kit and footwear.

