

English

Leon and the Place Between: Whilst reading this text, we will explore the author's language and use it as the basis for our own descriptive writing. We will explore the characters' thoughts and emotions and take part in drama activities, leading to writing in role and the creation of dialogue. Using the structure of the original story, we will plan our own version of the story where our own character enters a make-believe world.

Spelling: We will continue to work on our knowledge of year 4 words including the /shun/ sound.

We will also be reading a range of rich texts that link to our topic.

Maths

Number Fluency: Multiplication and division facts, with a specific focus on 6, 7, 8, 9 times tables.

Multiplication and Division: We will be working to use a formal method to multiply two and three-digit numbers by a single digit.

Understanding Arts and Culture

Art: We will explore sculptures through the work of Giacometti and create our own animal sculptures made out of tinfoil.

Music: We will focus on descriptive music this half term. Linked to our Spanish learning, we will learn to sing in minor key.



Mini Mission – Water, water, everywhere!

This half term, we will be exploring the water cycle. We will use the text 'Rhythm of the Rain' to help us understand the different stages of the water cycle. We will make links to our geography work on rivers.



Understanding Science and Technology

Science: We will be investigating the different stages of the water cycle and making links to our states of matter leaning from last half term. This work will be linked to our Geography learning.

DT: We will be making delicious sweet treats linked to different British celebrations.

Computing: We will continue building our knowledge of networks and the internet.



Understanding the World

Geography: We will be learning about rivers with a special focus on the Thames. We will look at how the river moves across England from its source in the south west to its mouth on the east coast.

RE: We will be comparing ways in which different religions use light to celebrate.

Spanish: We will be learning how to introduce ourselves and wish each other seasonal greetings.

Understanding our Health and Well-Being

PE: We will be playing basketball this term, focusing on our awareness of position, control, timing and accuracy.

PSHCE: We will be learning about 'Celebrating Differences' and how to be good friends.



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Our School Values: Resilient, Persistent, Self-Motivated, Risk-Takers, Creative, Good Citizens, Entrepreneurial

Dear Parents/Carers,

The second half of our Autumn term is upon us, and we are sure that it will fly by in a flurry of Remembrance celebrations, non-uniform days, winter jumper designs and the delicious Christmas dinner day. Fortunately, we have a long weekend at the end of the month to ensure that we have enough energy for all of the fun.

Please find overleaf details about what your child will be learning in class over this half-term. Weekly homework will be set via Google Classroom and we would encourage you to please spend some time at home each week practising the spellings and times tables we are working on in class. Please also read together with your child every day as it really does make such an enormous difference to their ability to read with fluency, confidence and understanding; reading records should be in book bags daily.

Thank you for your continued support,

Mrs Stanley, Miss Coleman and Miss McBride