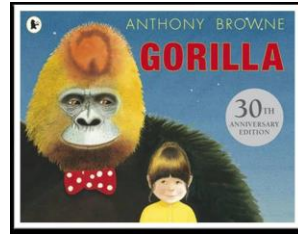


## English

**Fiction:** We will begin the year by exploring a new text called *Gorilla* by Anthony Browne. We will explore the story along with learning new grammar skills along the way. We will then create our own extended piece of writing based on this text.



We will then learn about recounts by writing a diary based around the book 'Leon and The Place Between'.

**Spelling:** We will start the year by assessing our understanding of the year 3 and 4 spelling lists and then move on to using our new Spelling scheme 'Superhero spellings.'

## Maths

**Place Value:** We will be learning how to use thousands, hundreds, tens and ones. We will move on to looking at the value of digits in larger numbers and flexible regrouping. We will be rounding numbers to the nearest one, ten and hundred. We will then move on to using our addition and subtraction skills to help us solve problems and a range of calculations before moving on to learning about area.



## Inspirational Figure

This term, we will be exploring the life and work of **David Attenborough**. We will focus on his exploration of the polar regions and discover the unique geographical properties of these areas. We will also learn more about the animals who live there.



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## Understanding Arts and Culture

**Art:** We will explore the art and sculpture of Giacometti, mimicking his work and learning new techniques.  
**Music:** We will learn how to create sounds in a range of ways and layer these sounds to create music.



## Understanding Science and Technology

**Science:** We will be investigating living things this term through fun and practical activities. We will explore and use classification keys to help us group and identify a variety of living things in our local and wider environment. We will be creating booklets about the animals that live in our local area and exciting places around the world.

**DT:** We will be exploring healthy eating and seasonal produce. We will make a selection of savoury dishes.

**Computing:** We will be learning about networks and the internet.



## Understanding the World

**Geography:** We will learn about water cycles, the formation of clouds, water pollution and local rivers.

**RE:** We will be exploring how different religions use pilgrimage as part of their devotions.

**Spanish:** We will be learning how to introduce ourselves and explain where we live.

## Understanding our Health and Well-Being

**PE:** We will be continuing with our weekly swimming lessons and playing basketball.

**PSHCE:** We will be learning about 'Being Me in My World' and how to be good school citizens.





*“Learn. Believe. Achieve.”*

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

*Dear Parents/Carers,*

*Welcome back! Hopefully you are as excited as we are about the adventures ahead in the new school year – so many fun activities and so much wonderful learning! It is our aim to foster a life-long love for learning in all our children and we look forward to working together with you to help them achieve their dreams. We will be learning about a great British inspirational figure: David Attenborough. His work in documentaries and conservation will be the focus of many of our topic lessons in a variety of ways. We will then explore our local environment and see how we can protect it.*

*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 and best wishes for a wonderful year of learning ahead,*

*Mrs Sinclair, Miss Fisher and Mr Griffin.*