English

Our next rich text is 'Katie in London' by James Mayhew. This book will take us on a journey through London. We will be focusing on joining words using 'and' and using capital letters for names of people and places. We continue to punctuate sentences using capital letters and full stops.

Phonics

Children will continue to learn to new graphemes through the Monster Phonics scheme and will continue to develop their skills in segmenting and blending words. These key skills help support both reading and spelling development. We will also be learning high frequency words to help improve reading fluency and confidence. Thank you for your continued support at home – regular reading and practice make a big difference!

Maths

As part of the White Rose Maths scheme, we will develop our understanding of addition and subtraction, focusing on number bonds to 10, partwhole models and writing number sentences. We will identify and name common 2D and 3D shapes and explore their properties.

Understanding Health and Wellbeing

PE: Pupils will develop their sending and receiving skills including throwing and catching, rolling, kicking, tracking and stopping a Ball. Pupils will be given opportunities to work with a range of different sized balls.

PSHE: Children will explore how they are different from their friends and recognise that these differences make us all unique and special.



Understanding the World

History: Children will learn about what life was like in the past for the people involved in the Gunpowder Plot. They will learn about Guy Fawkes and order the key events of the plot in their own words. They will explore how the Gunpowder plot is remembered and how this has changed over time.

RE: We will be focusing on Remembrance this half term, taking part in our whole school reflection and making poppies. We will also be looking at Diwali and Christmas and how these are celebrated.

Understanding Science and Technology

Science: This half term, we will learn about the use of everyday materials and investigate which materials float or sink when placed in water. We will explore the processes of melting and freezing and look at seasonal changes in winter.

Computing: Children will develop their understanding of technology and how it can help us. They will start to become familiar with the different components of a computer by developing their keyboard and mouse skills. We will also learn how to use technology responsibly.

Understanding Arts and Culture

Music: We will be learning how to use voices expressively in a range of Christmas songs, in preparation for our year group Nativity.





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Dear Parents/Carers,

We hope you had a restful break and are ready for the half term ahead – the countdown to Christmas begins and we are looking forward to our pantomime trip. We will be starting to work on our Christmas performance and your child will come home with lines to learn and songs to sing. We would really appreciate if you could help them to practise these. Their lines can be read as part of your daily reading at home.

We will continue with our topic 'A Journey through London'. Please find overleaf details about what your child will be learning in class throughout this half term.

Homework will continue to be set every Friday. Each week your child will be expected to learn to spell a list of words and these will be sent home in our Monster Phonics spelling books each week.

We encourage you to 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. Please keep reading records in book bags daily.

Thank you and best wishes for a wonderful half term ahead, Miss Coleman, Miss Denman and Miss Petrie