English

Reading: In guided reading we will be improving our fluency and comprehension skills through the use of Comprehension Ninja, studying fiction, non-fiction and poetry texts.

Our class novel is *Secrets of a Sun King* which we will share on a daily basis.

Writing: We begin this half term by writing a traditional tale based on *Hansel and Gretel by Neil Gaiman*. We will study expanded noun phrases and conjunctions, whilst also exploring the length of sentences, specifically when short sentences are used for dramatic effect. We will then move on to study the book *Stonehenge*. A non-fiction book, where we will look at how the layout of information impacts the reader.

Computing

We will be learning how to code and how to keep ourselves safe whilst using the internet.

Physical Education

In our Wednesday Games sessions, we will be strengthening our football skills whilst also learning about how to stay healthy. These sessions are run by Plymouth Argyle.

On Mondays in P.E the children will be studying gymnastics.

Maths

This half term we are looking at Multiplication and Division. We will be able to find common multiples and factors between our times tables and use this to help us solve multiplication and division problems with decimals. We will also be looking at prime numbers, cubed numbers and solving problems

We will then move on to fractions, where we will look at the factors of denominators.

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Art and design

This half term we will be exploring colour and how our choice of colour can strengthen our artwork. We will be researching Monet and discussing his style and technique whilst using oil pastels to experiment and produce our own Monet inspired pieces.

PSHE

Our Jigsaw PSHE focus is on 'Being me'.



Geography

Our topic title for Geography is Mountains. We will be looking at how hills and mountains differ and where we can find them. We will be looking at the Himalayas, Ben Nevis and Snowdonia discussing how people adapt to be able to live and farm in these environments.

History

Our topic for History is Cradle of Civilisations. We will be learning about the similarities and differences between two ancient civilisations. ancient Egypt and ancient Sumer.

R.E

In R.E this term we will be exploring Vishnu's signs and symbols, discussing what Hindu's learn from them.

How can you support your child at home?

Support your child in completing weekly homework, consisting of spellings, times table practice and independent reading.

Read to and with your child, asking them questions about the story they are reading.

Check Dojo regularly for class updates and information.