

Maths

Our first topic will be decimals and will help the children to further their understanding of place value. Following this, we will focus on converting units, which will enable the children to practise their multiplication and division skills.

In addition, the children will also develop their ability to tell the time so any additional practice of this at home will be very beneficial.



English

To link with our history topic, our first text is Hetty Feather – the story of a feisty young Victorian foundling child. As well as enjoying the interesting characters in the story, the children will look closely at how the author uses different sentence structures to shape the text. They will learn how to identify simple, compound and complex sentences and practise writing these sentence types to create their own story.



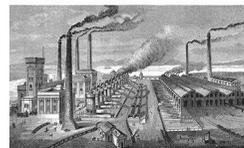
To demonstrate their growing knowledge of the Industrial Revolution, the children will write their own information text about the era.

Science

Our topic this half term is plants. The children will use their investigative skills to explore the conditions that plants need to grow. They will learn the main parts of plants and their function, the life cycle of flowering plants, and how plants transport water.

History

This half term, the children will investigate the impact of the Industrial Revolution and the changes the era prompted. For example, they will explore how living and working conditions changed rapidly and the inventions that revolutionised life in Britain.



RE

Our key question this half term is: What kind of world did Jesus want? The children will have the opportunity to explore key events from Jesus' life and what Christians believe about how Jesus' vision influences their lives.

PSHE

Our theme is 'Being my Best'. The children will explore what makes them special and unique. They will learn about diversity, the importance of respecting others and the characteristics of friendships.

Art

In art, the children will explore the work of artist Laurel Burch. They will focus on her vibrant cat designs and investigate how she develops a bold style using vivid colours and patterned designs. They will then have the opportunity to use these techniques to create their own piece.



Design and Technology

The children will put their culinary skills to the test this half term as they focus on developing their cooking skills. As well as learning cooking processes, they will learn about the importance of healthy eating.

<p>Music</p> <p>Continuing with our new music programme, we will be focusing on singing. The children will learn how to use their voices creatively when singing individually and together as a class. They will learn new musical terminology and concepts, including pitch, tempo and dynamics.</p>	<p>Computing</p> <p>The focus for this half term is how to create and use spreadsheets to collect and present data. The children will have the opportunity to use Google sheets to learn how to organise data into rows and columns to create their own data set. They will begin to learn how to use formulae to produce calculated data.</p>	<p>PE</p> <p>The children will focus on swimming lessons this term. They will focus on improving their confidence in the water and developing their ability to swim at least 25m.</p> <p>They will also continue to learn about health and fitness in their weekly sport session.</p>
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Supporting your child's learning at home

<p>Class Dojo</p> <p>Please make sure you check our class dojo page regularly. I will use it to update you with what is happening in school.</p> <p>Look out for photos of what we are doing as well as dojo points the children receive.</p>	<p>Reading</p> <p>Reading at home is a vital part of children's development at all ages in primary school. The more opportunities your child has to practise reading, the more their skills, fluency and confidence will develop. They will expand their vocabulary and awareness of sentence structure and punctuation, which in turn impacts their writing.</p> <p>Children in Class Two are expected to read at home at least three times a week, but ideally every day. As they get older, they should aim to work on their reading stamina so by Year 5 and 6 they should read for 20 – 30 minutes. Please record your child's home reading in their reading record and ensure it is in school every day.</p>
<p>Homework</p> <p>The children will be set a weekly homework task. This will usually have a maths or English focus but may also be related to our science or topic work. In addition to set homework, it would be beneficial if you could help your child to practise key skills such as times tables and telling the time at home.</p>	<p>PE</p> <p>Class Two have their swimming lesson on Monday so please ensure that they have their swimming kit with them.</p> <p>PE will continue to be on Fridays with Mr Pugh so please ensure that they have their full school PE kit on that day, but preferably every day.</p>

