

### English

Within reading lessons this half term, we will be focusing on a range of comprehension skills such as inferring characters thoughts and feelings, retrieving information from the text, exploring new vocabulary and how to understand words we have never met before. This will continue to be done through our class text, "The Abominables" by Eva Ibbotson. This text explores themes of kindness, compassion, loyalty and courage.

In writing lessons, pupils will be exploring a range of genres through both texts and short films. We will be focusing on developing sentence structure and the use of fronted adverbials. This half term, pupils will experience writing a mixture of fiction and non-fiction in the form of narratives, information texts and formal letters.

### Computing

In this **Coding** unit, children will build on their programming skills by learning how to use selection, including **IF** and **IF/ELSE** statements, and how to apply **coordinates** and **variables** in their code. They will also explore the '**repeat until**' command to control loops. By the end of the unit, pupils will use these concepts to design and create their own simple, playable computer game.

### Design Technology

In "**Structure: Pavilions**", children will learn how to design and build strong, stable, and attractive free-standing frame structures. They will explore different shapes and construction techniques, select suitable materials, and add cladding to complete their pavilion designs with both strength and style in mind.

### Geography

In "**Are All Settlements the Same?**", children will explore different types of settlements like villages, towns, and cities. They will learn to locate places in the UK, use OS maps, understand land use, and investigate why features are where they are. The unit also includes comparing the local area with New Delhi, noting similarities and differences, and observing changes in their surroundings.

### RE

This half-term, children will begin the new scheme *Understanding Christianity*, beginning with a unit on the creation story and the 'Fall'. Children will explore the concepts of God and creation and explain how Christians put these beliefs into practice. They will also describe the significance of these beliefs to Christians and non-Christians today.

### PE

**Indoor - Game Sense**, The children will be introduced to passing and receiving in order to keep possession of the ball, also developing an understanding of how to win the ball back when defending.

**Outdoor - Basketball**, The children will be introduced to dribbling in order to keep control and possession of the ball. When dribbling focussing on ball control and changing direction when dribbling.

### Maths

In Autumn 1, pupils will continue to follow White Rose Maths. Lower Key Stage Two will be focusing on place value. We are adopting a mastery approach to teaching and learning in maths which allows children to participate in problem solving and reasoning each lesson. The children will be able to use concrete materials in their lessons to support their learning.

Alongside our maths lessons, arithmetic sessions will be delivered on a daily basis to the children with a focus of times tables and key instant recall facts.

## Autumn 1 LKS2



### Useful Websites

[www.purplemash.com](http://www.purplemash.com)  
[www.edshed.com](http://www.edshed.com)  
[www.googleearth.com](http://www.googleearth.com)  
[www.thinkuknow.co.uk](http://www.thinkuknow.co.uk)  
<https://mathsframe.co.uk/en/resources/resources/477/Multiplication-Tables-Check>  
<https://www.bbc.co.uk/teach/class-clips-video/articles/z6qsf4j>

### French

This half term in French the children will be studying 'J'apprends le français' - I am learning French. By the end of the unit the pupils will have the knowledge and skills to be able to introduce themselves, say how they feel and have a wider understanding of the countries where French is spoken.

### Music

In our "**Body and Tuned Percussion**", unit, children will explore musical structure, rhythm, and layering. They will learn to perform rhythms and melodies using body percussion and tuned instruments, working with partners to stay in time. As their skills develop, they will combine contrasting rhythms and melodies, eventually creating a complete piece.

### PSHE

In "**Families and Relationships**", children will learn about the importance of positive relationships, understanding personal boundaries, and how their actions can affect others. They will explore different family structures, challenge stereotypes around gender and disability, and discuss how to respond to bullying and support others. The unit also helps children understand bereavement and how families can face and overcome difficulties together.

### Science

This half term we will be studying Animals including humans in our Science lessons. Identifying that both animals and humans need the right types and amounts of nutrition, and that they cannot make their own food. The children will also learn how to identify that humans and some other animals have skeletons and muscles for support, protection and movement.