

## English

We will use the Talk 4 Writing approach in English to aid our writing skills. We will explore and unpick a variety of texts, eventually leading us to write our own versions independently. We will be focusing on characterisation through a wishing tale. Using our topic as a stimulus, we will write a non-chronological report based on space later in the term. Our Talk 4 Reading texts will begin with 'The Midnight Fox.'

## Mathematics

This term we will continue to focus on our mathematical fluency through regular basic skills lessons. There will be an emphasis on number skills – this will involve reading, writing, ordering, comparing and rounding. We will also be practising addition and subtraction skills with larger numbers. This will help with the application towards calculation and problem solving later in the term.

## Science

In science we will be focusing on Earth and Space, particularly the Solar System and the relationships between the Sun, Earth and Moon. Later in the term, we will investigate Forces; gravity will be a focus, along with air resistance, water resistance and friction.

## Music

In music we will be listening to music about the solar system; singing and exploring scores to create music that is out of this world. We will investigate timbre, dynamics and texture of music.

## RE/PSHE

In RE we will be exploring: 'What does it mean for Christians to believe that God is holy and loving?' and 'What does it mean to be a Muslim in Britain today?' In PSHE, we will be exploring families and relationships.

## Art and Design Technology

We will be using a range of materials to create artwork that will transform our classroom, relating to our topic. We will study the artist Peter Thorpe and recreate his famous work. In DT we will be making rockets and seeing if we can get them to reach outer space!

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## Time and Place, Earth and Space

## Computing

Internet safety will be a key focus, ensuring we can work responsibly online. We will investigate some of the types of data that the 'Mars Rover' could collect and explain how this is transmitted back to Earth.

## Languages

We will continue to develop our French conversational skills talking about ourselves and the future. We will begin to explore learning some Spanish through singing and oral work.

## History

In our topic lessons we will be exploring and investigating questions such as; What is the Space Race? Who was the first man on the moon? How do astronauts explore space today? Who was Helen Sharman? Why are the 'Hidden Figures' behind NASA so influential?

## Physical Education

In PE, we will explore important safety principles and discuss why exercise is important. We will focus on developing our skills within invasion games – passing, dribbling, attacking and defending. We will work on our team skills in hockey and netball.

## How you can help

Please continue to read with your child on a daily basis, it is so important; try to discuss what they have read, make predictions and talk about the spelling, punctuation and grammar (SPaG). The children will need to practise their times tables using TTRockstars and Spellings (every Tuesday in school). Class 5 will have PE on a Thursday. Thank you for your continued support.

## Geography

We will be developing our geographical knowledge naming and locating the world's major rivers and exploring why many cities are situated by them and why water is such a valuable commodity.