

### English (Reading and writing):

#### Text drivers/books to share

- *Little Red Riding Hood* - Lari Don
- *Mog's Christmas* - Judith Kerr

#### Reading

Year 1 and 2 will continue to focus their attention on the implementation of the segmenting and blending skills, taught in daily phonics lessons, to support their fluency at single word, phrase and sentence level. The children will also answer comprehension questions about the content of what they have read.

**Children are expected to read at home every day and this is to be recorded in their reading logbook.**

#### Writing

Within this half term of the children focus their attention to use descriptive vocabulary to write a character description and record cohesive sentences to retell a popular story.

### Physical Education:

In PE, Year 1 and 2 will be focusing their attention on gymnastics and movements. Within this topic, the children will explore different gymnastic movements, creating a variety of shapes and maintaining balances. To further this, the children will look to move from one balance to another with control.

### Religious Education: Special books (multi religion focus)

In RE, Year 1 and 2 will be looking at how different religions have their on special books and holy scriptures. We will explore how these scriptures allow followers to learn from their words and apply their principles to their lives.

### PSHE:

Year 1 and 2 will be focusing on the topic of "Valuing difference." Within the topic the children will explore what makes us all individual, why that it important and how we should celebrate our individual traits and embrace others around us.

### EXPLORE: (Curriculum focus)

#### Geography:

This half term, Year 1 and 2 will be exploring "What is the United Kingdom like and how do the four countries differ?" The children will be able to name and locate the four countries, their capital cities and the seas that surround the UK. In addition, we will look at the different weathers that are most common in each of the countries and make a comparison. The children will end the topic by making a short video clip explaining why people should visit their favourite country in the United Kingdom.



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### DISCOVER: (Curriculum support)

#### History:

As this term will be led by our geography topic, our history coverage will focus on looking at maps from the past to discuss how locations around the United Kingdom have changed over time. The children will also offer predictions of how maps will look 100 years in the future based on their knowledge and Geographical skills.

### Mathematics:

During this half term, Year 1 and 2 will be focusing on the areas of: **Place value, addition, subtraction, multiplication, division and statistics**

Children will continue to focus on recalling, from memory, their number bonds to 10 and 20 as well as their 2, 5 and 10 times tables without support. **In order to support your child's learning, these should be practiced at home every day on line (Timetables rock stars, Hit the button) or via paper copies (daily homework).**

In addition to tackling these National Curriculum objectives, the children will be challenged to apply their newly taught knowledge through challenges, problem solving activities and mathematical investigations.

### STEM

**Science:** This half term, the Year 1 and 2 will be exploring the topic of "Animal and plant habitats." Within the unit, the children will learn about how we classify living things, different locations for habitats and how they offer protection and ideal living conditions for their occupant.

**Computing:** In ICT, Mr Fessey will be teaching the children using Seesaw (a **secure digital learning journal**) which allows a rich and authentic record of their academic progress. The platform is strategically utilized to foster creativity and communication, with children frequently engaging in **digital art creation** and using **voice notes** to articulate their understanding and reflect on their

### CREATE: (Curriculum support)

**Music:** During this half term, the children will be practicing the songs for the school's nativity production. They will also be learning a few extra Christmas songs for your enjoyment.

**Art/ DT:** For this half term, Year 1 and 2 will focusing on the medium of paint and natural landscapes. They will look at colour mixing, creating patterns and recreate Hundertwasser's famous "Green city."