English (Reading and writing):

Text drivers/books to share

- Rainbow Fish – Marcus Pfister
- The Dragon Post – Emma Yarlett

Reading

Year 1 and 2 will continue to practice their decoding, segmenting and blending skills in conjunction with their developing fluency while independently reading. The children will focus on developing their comprehension skills during daily reading skills lessons. They will focus on their understanding and recall of events from the text. **Children are expected to read at home every day and this is to be recorded in their reading logbook.**

Writing

Within the second half term of the new academic year, the focus of our writing topics will be based around the inclusion of basic writing skills such as adjectives and conjunctions. These skills will allow the children to both add detail to and their sentences.

Physical Education:

In PE, Year 1 and 2 will be focusing their attention on the **gymnastic movements.** They will cover objectives that build upon the static and dynamic control of the body the children have gained in the pervious half term. The children will explore these objectives through different activities and games.

Religious Education: Christianity – Celebration

In RE, Year 1 and 2 will be learning about how the religious on Islam. We will learn about the key figure, symbols and messages of the Islamic faith along with how Advent and Hanukah play an important part on a believer's life. Towards the end of the topic, we will look at how Christians celebrate Christmas and how the use of light is incorporated and important at Christmas time.

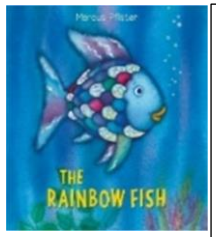
PSHE:

Year 1 and 2 will be focusing on the topic of "Valuing." Within this topic, the children will explore the differences between different people in our class and the wider society, The messages of each lesson will promote acceptance and intrigue between the children. Showing how we our classroom is a happier place to be with us all in it, all being ourselves and all being wonderfully different from each other.

EXPLORE: (Curriculum focus)

Geography:

This half term, Year 1 and 2 will be explore our local surroundings and will aim to answer, "Where are we?" The children will explore our geographical location in relation to the island, the country, the continent and the world. As the topic progresses we will explore another island, Hong Kong island. We will compare the two by looking at the similarities and differences the two islands have in human and physical geographical features.



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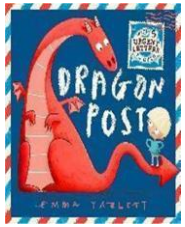

DISCOVER: (Curriculum support)

History:

As this term will be led by our geography topic. Therefore, our history coverage will be taught through looking at maps of our local surroundings and discussing how and why the village of Godshill has changed over the past 100 years.

Mathematics:

During this half term, Year 1 and 2 will be focusing on the areas of: **Place value, addition, subtraction, multiplication, division and measurement including length, money 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 continue to develop their knowledge and critical thinking around the topic of "Every day materials and their uses." During this unit the children will learn. They will learn and test through exploration and hands on activities, linking to our end of the unit task:, creating a strong and waterproof coat for a stick person to wear. They will have to design their coat, verbally explain why they have chosen such materials, making reference to their properties, before attempting to make and test the item.

Computing: In ICT, Mr Fessey will be focusing on using IT to create a digital image in paint as well as exploring IT beyond the school. Learning about how it is prevalent in the wider world.

CREATE: (Curriculum support)

Music: During this half term, the children will be focusing on the topic of "African call and response songs." The children will experience music and songs from another continent as well as learning the beat and rhythm so that they can respond to lyrics and beats.

Art/ DT: For this half term, Year 1 and 2 will be focusing practicing the songs and lines for the Christmas Nativity production. We will be learning each of the songs in lessons with the support of Mrs Cooper and Mrs Felis.