

Homework

Children are expected to read at home daily. Please send reading logs in on a Monday. We will keep them in school and return them on Wednesday.
Practice on Times Tables Rockstars three times weekly.

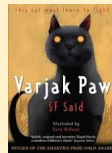
English - Writing



Arthur and the Golden Rope by Joe Todd Stanton will be used as a stimulus to encourage the children to write 'to entertain.'

They will produce a graphic novel to share with their friends and family and focus on creating an additional scene for the book.

English - Reading This Term's Whole Class Text: Varjak Paw by SF Said



Using inference to gain additional information from a text, character's actions and speech. Deciding if statements about a text are true or false, purpose of dialogue in a story, make predictions, retrieve information, evaluate a character, compare settings and how to summarise a chapter.

Maths

- We will be exploring:
Parallel and perpendicular lines in polygons
Time
Column addition and subtraction
Numbers to 10,000

Please do allow time for practising times tables at home. These are some useful sites for online practise:

*TT Rockstars
Purplemash
Mathsframe
Hit the Button*

Science- Digestion and Food

Using models, children describe the function of key organs in the digestive system. Pupils identify the types of human teeth to create their own model and investigate factors that impact our dental health. They compare human teeth to other animals' and consider this in the light of prior knowledge about predators, prey and food chains. Children take on the role of a naturalist investigating animal faeces for clues about diet, digestion and dentition.

GEOGRAPHY: The Rhine and the Mediterranean

- The River Rhine
- Cologne: city on the Rhine
- Rotterdam: the mouth of the Rhine
- The changing Rhine
- The Mediterranean Sea
- The Suez Canal



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PSHE/RHE

Healthy lifestyle choices will be covered this half term alongside being safe on the internet. We will continue to have circle times. We will learn about the importance of rights and responsibilities.

History -Roman Republic

HISTORY: The Roman Republic

- * Romulus
- * The Roman Republic
- * Rome vs Carthage
- * Hannibal's attack on Rome
- * Scipio saves Rome
- * Culture in the Roman Republic



Religious Education

Christianity: The family of Jesus

- Judea in the first century BC
- The coming of the Messiah
 - Mary and Joseph
 - The Annunciation
- Mary visits her cousin Elizabeth

Why are these stories important for Christians?



PE

PE lessons will take place every Monday. This half term our focus is dance. Pupils focus on creating characters and narrative through movement and gesture. They gain inspiration from a range of stimuli working individually, in pairs and as a class.

Computing

To understand how children can protect themselves from online identity theft. To understand that information put online leaves a digital footprint or trail and that this can aid identity theft. To identify appropriate behaviour when participating or contributing to collaborative online projects for learning. To identify the positive and negative influences of technology on health and the environment. To understand the importance of balancing game and screen time with other parts of their lives.

French

Pupils will learn adjectives for describing people's physical appearance and personality. Creating simple sentences ensuring the adjectives agree with the gender of the noun.

Design and Technology

Identify the parts of a torch and how they work.
Create a working switch and incorporate it into their torch design.
Create a working torch and then evaluate its design and state improvements that could be made.