

Christian Values

This term, we are focussing on the Christian value of kindness.

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How is God loving and holy? Children will explore Christian beliefs about God, including his qualities, symbols, forgiveness and how the Bible, music and stories help Christians understand God and Jesus.

Maths

Our topic this half term is place value. We will be consolidating our knowledge of numbers up to a million. We will also extend our understanding of addition and subtraction. In the later part of the term, we will explore statistics.

Humanities

Our focus this half term is History. We are learning about Ancient Islamic Civilisations. We will learn about how the achievements of the Ancient Islamic Civilisations spread so far.

PE Sessions

We have PE on a Monday afternoons. We are lucky enough to have Lucy from LUFC with our class this term.

Science

Our topic is Space. We will learn about the planets that make up our solar system.

Wider Curriculum

Art – We will be practising the skill of typography, looking at how different fonts can create different emotions.

Music – Using Sparkyard to explore songs and musical activities to develop understanding of the inter-related dimensions of music and musical vocabulary

Computing – Sharing information Recognising IT systems in the world and how some can enable searching on the internet.

What will we be reading?

For faster reading and out whole class text, we will be reading My Name is Sunshine Simpson by G.M.Linton.



Reading

Our reading lessons are a daily session on fluency and key reading skills: retrieval, prediction, inference, summarising, explaining, meaning as a whole, word choice and making comparisons. We are also focusing on developing our fluency when reading aloud by using expression, intonation and pausing.

English

Our writing units:

- Biography – We will be writing a biography based on Katherine Johnson
- Setting description – We will write a description of a tea plantation based on the book Tea Monkeys.

HOW CAN YOU HELP?

- ✓ **Reading** – children should be reading daily at home and reading with a parent or older sibling at least 3 x a week. This is to improve fluency and comprehension skills.
- ✓ **Spelling Shed**- children have a list of Year 5/6 Common Exception Words to be learned by the end of Year 6 and weekly spelling tasks available on Spelling Shed.*
- ✓ **Weekly Times Table Rock Stars** – children should be practicing 3x10 minutes week.

*optional

