

<b>English</b> This half term pupils will be looking at trying to expand their vocabulary of words associated with weather. They will be recapping and applying their knowledge of prepositions, adverbials and determiners so they can vary their sentence openers. Pupils will be writing and performing speeches about the rainforest linked to the geography topic. Finally, pupils will be studying Charles Dickens' 'A Christmas Carol' and writing a story.		<u>Maths</u> Pupils will start the half term by learning about area and understanding that it is the amount of space a 2D shapes takes up. They will begin by counting squares and begin to make links between the length, width and area. Pupils will be covering and applying their knowledge of times tables into worded reasoning problems. They will use their 3, 6, 9, 7, 11 and 12 times tables. They will also be recapping addition and subtraction covered in the previous half term.	
Guided reading texts: Charlotte's Web by E B White and The Borrowers by Mary Norton			
Science Pupils will be studying electricity and circuits. They will be looking at the dangers of electricity and how to be safe when using it. They will be studying the different electrical components, their symbols and how they contribute to making working circuits.	<u>Humanities - Geography</u> Pupils will be studying about the different biomes. They will be looking at the different locations and key features of the Amazon rainforests. They will also gain a better understanding of how trees and plants adapt to living in the rainforest and give examples.	<b>Design Technology</b> Pupils will be making pavilions and learning about different structures. They will be considering what the strongest shapes are and what makes them strong. They will also use different joining techniques to make them sturdy and not fall over. They will use weaving techniques to create a roof.	Computing Pupils will be using scratch to create a multiplication game and will need to consider variables (things that variables (things that will change) and fix any problems that arise in their code. French Pupils will be learning about different French foods and using them in conversations in a cafe. They will also include French money when purchasing items.
<u>Music</u> Pupils will be studying viking music and beginning to play the glockenspiel. They will be looking at classical music notation to read and play music. They will then be using the pentatonic scale to compose a short piece of music.	<u>RE</u> Pupils will be studying about the different sacred texts and what makes them different. They will be able to explain the difference between evidence or recognised information about scriptures, beliefs and opinions.	<u>PE</u> Pupils will be practising their orienteering skills, in which they will practise their team working skills. In indoor PE, children will be developing their gymnastic skills where they will learn how to form a bridge and ways in which we can move our bodies to form bridges.	<b>PSHE</b> Pupils will be concluding their topic on Families and Relationships by covering different types of families and grief and loss. They will then start their topic on health and wellbeing. They will consider their physical and mental health.

**Assembly Themes:** Children will focus on the value of **kindness** for this half term. They will also learn about the Firework Code, Save the Children UK and the religious festivals of Advent and Hanukkah. We will be supporting National Anti-bullying week and Children in Need.