Happy New Year! The children worked very hard during the Autumn Term and I'm looking forward to this continuing in 2024.

If you have any queries or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Thank you for your support.

Miss Warren

Homework will be given out each week on Mondays to be handed in on Fridays. If your child does have any difficulties with their Homework, please encourage them to come and talk to me. Children who complete their Homework will have a raffle ticket entered into the end of term class prize draw. Please remember that going on Sumdog counts towards Homework, but an adult needs to record this on the Homework sheet.

Science

The topic of 'Forces' will be studied this half-term. The children will learn about a range of different forces including gravity, air resistance and friction including the important work of Sir Isaac Newton. They will undertake investigations as part of the whole class and in small groups which will allow them to make predictions and draw conclusions.

Computing

Our Computing lessons this half-term will on how computers work. We will consider how networks operate and the difference between the World Wide Web and the Internet. The children will learn that computers communicate using binary code and have a go at using it.

PΕ

PE lessons in Hurricane Class take place on Wednesdays, Thursdays and Fridays. On Wednesdays (with Mr Kettlewell), the children will develop the skills needed to play hockey including dribbling, passing and tackling. Thursday's lessons will be focussing on developing cricket skills with Mr Cooke. I will teach tag rugby on Fridays. Please be aware that, weather permitting, lessons will take place outdoors and children need appropriate clothing and footwear for this.

PSHE, Values and RE

Our Value for this half-term is 'Tolerance'. In PSHE, children will consider healthy relationships. Our RE topic looks at life journeys undertaken with the Hindu community and will explore various rituals undertaken including how babies are welcomed into the family and the sacred thread ceremony.

English

Our English lessons this half-term are based on the novel 'The Mountain Rescue Dog' by Juliette Forrest. The children will be learning how to write an adventure story focussing particularly on having a good opening and a realistic ending. Our Guided Reading will focus on texts linked to our value (tolerance). Regular reading at home is hugely beneficial for children's reading and writing so please encourage this. Please ensure any reading undertaken at home is recorded in your child's reading diary. Reading diaries must be brought into school daily for Guided Reading sessions.

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Maths

In Maths this half-term we will begin by re-visiting place value including understanding negative numbers in context. The children will use understand how to use the formal method for division and interpret remainders in context. Area and volume will be explored including knowing when it is appropriate to use a formula. Please encourage your child to practice their multiplication and division facts at home and to play on 'Sumdog' as these are hugely beneficial and will help your child in various aspects of Maths.



Art and Music

In Art, we will focus on relief printing. We will explore the work of Sheila Robinson and state preferences. The children will then use printing techniques to create an image linked to Sheila Robinson's work. Our Music focuses on 'The Fresh Prince of Bel Air' and other examples of hip-hop which the children will hopefully really enjoy.

History

Our History topic is 'The Vikings.' Children will learn about what kind of people the Vikings were and debate whether or not they were all bloodthirsty. We will learn about the Viking attack on Lindisfarne. Children will also consider what a typical Viking home might have been like.