

## English

### **Phonics and grammar**

Children will continue to work in their groups every day reinforcing their sounds and spellings and exploring basic grammar.

### **Reading and comprehension**

Children will read 1-1 with an adult through the week, choosing a book to read at home. Our Guided Reading texts for next half term will be 'The Twits', focussing on thinking like a reader, showing understanding of what they have read and making inferences and predictions.

### **Writing**

We will begin our half term looking at non-fiction animal texts which we will use as inspiration for creating our own non-fiction book all about our caterpillars. This ties in nicely with our computing as we will then make use of Book Creator to make our own digital book.

We will then turn our focus towards the Lighthouse Keepers series of books by David and Ronda Armitage. We use this as a vehicle to improve our own writing, our comprehension, our understanding of story settings. We will write our own narrative incorporating what we have learned throughout.

## Music

This half term we will be singing traditional Polish dances. The children will be listening to Polish songs which follow a changing beat and tempo. They will play a percussion accompaniment and follow body percussion patterns.

## PE

Tuesday and Thursday

This half term the children will be using teamwork to learn skills needed to play rounders and other field events. We will be outside so please ensure your child has an appropriate outdoor PE Kit.

**Week Commencing 22nd June – Sports Week**

## Design Technology

We will revisit the design process of designing, making and evaluating then apply this to make a wrap. We will be thinking about the balance of food groups used as well as looking at the skills required for safely making food products, learning different chopping skills.

## History

We will look at famous nurses from History including Mary Seacole and Florence Nightingale seeing how they helped to keep the nation healthy in difficult times. The children will look at how we know about these famous nurses and how they are remembered today.



## Mathematics

We will begin the half term finishing our work on time. We will be looking at telling the time past the hour and to the hour in 5 minute intervals. We will then look at minutes in an hour and hours in a day.

We will then learn position and direction, followed by mass, capacity and volume.

We will squeeze in some time to revisit our 2, 5 and 10 times tables as well as addition and subtraction to ensure we are experts ready for Year 3!

## Science

In Science this half term our focus will be growing up where we will look at the life cycle of humans and animals. As part of our learning we will observe caterpillars in our classroom throughout their life cycle as they transform into butterflies.

## RE

We will begin to learn about Islam, introducing ourselves to basic ideas of faith and taking a look at key celebrations.

## Computing

In computing we will use the programme Book Creator to create our Non-Fiction book. The skills we will use are:

- Insert text box.
- Format text colour.
- Format text size.
- Format text alignment
- Importing photos

## PSHE

Our PHSE sessions will focus on our mental health and emotions. We will think about how to manage our emotions in times of change.

**Visits within our Topic**  
**Alnwick Gardens on Friday 26<sup>th</sup> June**  
**(return to school 4:15)**

# What makes a healthy life?

**Well-being** – How can we look after our physical and mental well-being?

**Conflict** – How can we be strong when faced with conflict?

**Care** – Can we show care for ourselves and others?

**Empire** – What is the effect of empire on our lives?