

American Road Trip Mighty Oaks Spring 1



English

This half term we will be using *Holes* by Louis Sachar, as part of our novel as a theme work. We will also be looking at writing descriptively, non-chronological reports and explanation texts, including their language and organisational features. Spelling homework will be supported by The Spelling Shed and ten spellings a week will be given for the children to learn. Children are also expected to read for at least 15 minutes each day and this reading is to be recorded in their diaries. Additional reading comprehension maybe sent home to support work within school.

Maths

Key skills will focus on negative numbers, geometry (angles within shapes), calculating, fractions and statistics. It is expected that all children are fluent in using their times tables - up to 12x12. These will be practised daily and can be supported at home using TT Rockstars. Fluency skills will also develop accuracy in fractions, using all four operations and powers of 10.

PSHCE

Keeping safe is the focus this half term. The children will look at ways to keep themselves safe in different situations and how to manage risk, especially when online and with peers.

PE

Invasion games (Hi-5 netball) is the focus for Outdoor PE, which will take place on Mondays (weather permitting) Health related fitness is the focus for Indoor PE which will develop fitness and improving core skills. Our indoor session will be each Thursday afternoon.

Science

Exercise and Circulatory system

- - Identify the main parts of the circulatory system.
- - Explain the main functions of the heart, lungs and blood vessels in the circulatory system.
- - State how the digestive system breaks down nutrients.
- - Explain what constitutes a healthy lifestyle.
- - Take accurate measures of the pulse rate.
- - Record results and write a report which includes a conclusion.

ICT

This half term will cover Blogging and Spreadsheets

RE

Incarnation is the theme for the half term with a key question focus of 'Was Jesus the Messiah?' Sessions will use the bible and other sources of information to gather evidence to answer the question.

Creative Curriculum

- Discover facts about North America and its surrounding regions/countries.
- Describe and understand key features of its physical geography - biomes, vegetation belts, climate
- Making comparisons between the UK and North America.
- Looking at economic growth and how this changes/has developed.
- Drawing buildings and designing own, using perspective - artist study Michelle Taube and Zaha Hadid.
- Creating new landmarks linked to North America.