# **English**

In our writing, we'll start the term by going back to basics with sentence structure; ensuring capital letters and end punctuation. Following this we will be completing a narrative, poetry and non-fiction unit. Handwriting will be regularly practised, ensuring letters are correctly formed with some joining. We will have weekly spelling lessons with opportunities for children to consolidate learning.

New reading records with book-banded books will be sent home tonight and reading books will be changed Mondays and Fridays or can be kept longer if needed! Library books will be changed on a Wednesday.

In class, we will be having many guided reading lessons, where we will enjoy reading a variation of texts, with lovely English activities linked to them.

# History

We will learn about Ancient Egyptians, looking further into the details of Howard Carter's discoveries, the changes that happened over time and what the Ancient Egyptians believed in.

After half term, we will learn about the 'Cradles of Civilisation'; exploring 'The land of two rivers' and 'The Epic of Gilgamesh'.

### Science

In Autumn 1, we look at 'Light' and consider: how we see things, reflection, protection from sunligh and how shadows are made.

In Autumn 2, we look at 'Forces and Magnets' and carry out various investigations, ensuring our tests are fair.

#### | PE

**Tuesday PE** for the term will include - Fitness and Dance. **Wednesday PE** for the term will include - Tag Rugby and Football. Please ensure your child has appropriate, labelled clothing and footwear for PE, prepared for both indoor and outdoor PE. Please also ensure long hair is tied up on PE days and jewellery removed.

#### **French**

We will begin by learning how to greet someone and ask their name and how they are. We will then move on to learning some basic nouns, classroom objects and numbers. This will be through short animated clips in French with songs and interactive activities.





In our 'Rivers' unit, we will be learning how rivers get their water and looking at Britain's longest river, the River Severn. We will move onto 'Mountains' after half term.

#### Music

In Autumn 1, we will be 'Developing singing technique'.

In Autumn 2, we will be 'Creating compositions in response to animations' using Mountains as a stimulus.

### Computing

We will be developing our understanding of digital devices, with an initial focus on: inputs, processes, and outputs. We will use physical systems to programme various models. Editing audio from podcasts will also be another area we will focus upon.

#### Maths

In Maths, we will be learning about: Place Value, Addition and Subtraction followed by Multiplication and Division.

With times-tables, we will start with recapping and quick recalling facts learnt in Year 2 – the 2, 5 and 10 times-tables before moving on to learning the 3 and 6 times-table facts. TTRS (Times-table Rockstar) logins are stuck inside homework books. We strongly recommend using this site to practise times-tables and their related division facts.

#### **PSHE**

We will beginning looking at 'Working Together', 'Friends and Family' and 'Rules, Rights and Responsibilities'. and 'Anti-bullying' which is the focus during 'Kindness Week' in the week beginning 11<sup>th</sup> November.

# **Religion and Worldviews**

We focus on Hinduism this term using Hindu stories as a way of understanding the religion. Stories include: Rama and Sita, Manu and Matsya the fish, Vishnu and his symbols and Arjuna faces the battlefield.

### Art and DT

In Autumn 1, the focus is Design and Technology

– Textiles. Pupils will use running stitch and
applique to make Egyptian collars.

In Autumn 2, the focus is Art with pupils learning about the formal elements of Art and developing their design skills.