

English:

Our topic this term is the Lake District, with our class novel being 'Out of the Ashes' by Michael Morpurgo. This text will allow us to consider and reflect upon the devastating foot and mouth epidemic which affected our region through the eyes of a child.

We will also continue to study a range of poetry focusing on content and techniques to further enhance our understanding and use of imagery.

Reading comprehension will focus on various elements of our class text, yet we will also turn our attention to travel writing on other geographical places of interest in Europe and South America.

This will allow us to annotate various style models (e.g. blogs and travel guides) in order to create our own informative travel writing.

Children are encouraged to continue to practise key reading skills such as finding meaning and information from a range of texts: any additional practice exercises can be requested from Mrs Denny.

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With only 10 school weeks to go, the class will continue to delve into a range of literature to fine-tune their knowledge and understanding of different text types, vocabulary, features of SPaG and inference of meaning.

Formal maths teaching will continue, and pupils and parents are encouraged to continue practising key skills such as times tables, division, addition and subtraction. Practice materials will be given to the class as homework, and a list of useful websites and resources will be sent home to best prepare pupils.

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Science: Children will study the topic of light by carrying out a range of investigations and experiments to understand how we see light and colours through a variety of objects.

PE: Our PE days this term are Monday and Friday. Children's fitness will be pushed to the limit as we challenge ourselves physically through a variety of games and exercises to work our muscles. The sports coach will also be introducing the class to lacrosse on a Friday to continue team work skills that they demonstrated so well in tag rugby.

Maths:

We will continue our maths mastery teaching and learning by beginning the term on converting units of different measurements. We will then spend two weeks on perimeter, area and volume, then two weeks on ratio. Children are encouraged to continue to practise key skills, and access the huge range of activities and games online. Pupils should also continue to practise multi-step problems and four operations of fractions.

Geography: Children will show their understanding of geographical similarities and differences through the study of human and physical geography. We will primarily focus on the Lake District, then widen our scope to Europe, and then South America.

This will not only deepen our knowledge of different geographical locations, it will also influence our travel writing to pass on what we've learned to others through rich, descriptive language and imagery.

Art: We will use a range of locations and features—such as the daffodils of the Lake District that inspired poets such as Wordsworth—to create landscape paintings using various materials and approaches.