After a fantastic half term, the children have earned a well-deserved rest over the Christmas holidays! The children have impressed massively this term, with shining performances in the Christmas carol concert, as well as their continued effort, enthusiasm, and determination in class. They have produced some amazing pieces of work in history and geography and have engaged brilliantly with our class novel 'Dragon Mountain,' which resulted in some fantastic pieces of writing across the term. The lead up to Christmas has been lots of fun too with Christmas crafts, parties and plenty of singing!

Thank you for all of your support this half term.

I hope you have a wonderful Christmas and New Year with your family and friends.

Best wishes

Mrs Gibson



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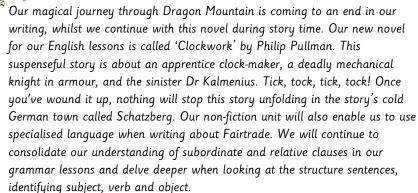


Maths



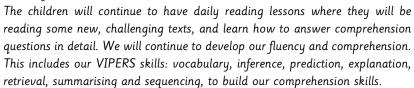
This half term, our Maths No Problem scheme will continue with graph work before moving onto fractions. We aim to master our understanding of place value and will work on building quick arithmetic skills. Next in the term, we will move onto working with decimals and percentages. Pupils will learn how to represent, as well as add and subtract decimals. With reasoning being a central part of our mathematics curriculum, the children will continue to apply their understanding to solve word problems and provide reasons for their answers.







Reading





Home Reading

Adults will endeavour to hear the children read on a one-to-one basis as often as possible in school. Please listen to your child read four times a week at home to assist their progress and help your child develop fluency and expression. Please also ensure your child's reading record is signed – your comments are greatly valued. We will continue to reward children for reading in class and at home with raffle tickets.



PSHE and Wellbeing

Our PSHE this half term will focus on keeping safe in different situations, including physical contact and basic first aid. Our values of the month are Aim High in January and Responsibility in February.



Science

Our journey through space continues!

We have already begun to investigate the planets and other space phenomena in our galaxy. Scientific investigation takes place in our learning as we obverse the Earth and sky around us closely to see what changes occur throughout the day and night. Navigate beyond the Sun: the magnificent, blazing star at the centre of our Solar System! The dark nights will enable us to take a closer look at our moon, a celestial body that orbits Earth. Over the holidays, see if you can keep a moon diary entry!



Sow, Grow and Farm!

Let's learn how to grow! A crispy carrot, a luscious lettuce or a tasty tomato. Dig deep and put your back into it in our Geography and DT topic. This half term we are learning about farms and where our food comes from. Our topic includes an exciting knowledge-rich project 'Eat the Seasons,' focusing on design and technology. The children will use their DT skills to ignite an enthusiasm for cooking. Linked to geography, we will be looking at food and Fairtrade around the world.



RE

To start off the new year, we will be learning all about Hinduism. We will be considering key questions such as, 'How does the belief in 'Karma' affect Hindus actions?' and 'What does God look like for Hindus?'



ΡF

The children will have their weekly PE sessions with our PE coach on a Tuesday and a Wednesday. PE kits should come into school on a Monday and can be taken home on a Friday to be washed.



Homework and Spellings

Homework will be set on Friday and will focus on maths and English. This will include spellings and times tables to learn for a test the following Friday. Times tables will continue to be a focus for us in Year 5. As always, you can log into SpellingShed to practise your spellings or rock away on TT Rock Stars to practise your times tables.