

Yellow Class

Spring 1 Newsletter



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Throughout this half term we will be exploring the big ideas and concepts that lie at the heart of the Hindu faith. We will discuss the basic beliefs of Hinduism whilst thinking about and explaining the importance of belonging to the Hindu faith.



In Maths, we will begin the term looking at number and place value. We will be focusing on counting in steps of three and writing numbers as numerals and words. We will also look at addition and subtraction again before moving on to 2D and 3D shapes. Throughout each phase of learning, children will continue to consolidate their learning through solving reasoning problems.

English

This term we will be looking at a fantastic text, 'The Dragon Machine,' by Helen Ward. We will be learning to use sentences with different forms as well as focusing on past and present tense.

<u>Guided reading</u>

All children will continue using our guided reading scheme, 'Pathway to Read.' This half term our focus is on the fiction text 'The Dragonsitter,' by Josh Lacey.

Spellings

We will be continuing with our new spelling scheme, 'Read Write Inc Spelling.' There will be four spelling lessons a week alongside our weekly spelling test. A spelling overview will be stuck in your child's homework book and tests will take place every Friday.

Science

During our science topic, 'Material Monsters,' the children will work scientifically to explore the properties and uses of everyday materials.

History

Our focus this term is 'Hospitals and Healthcare.' In this unit, the children will explore changes in hospitals and healthcare over the years and the significant people involved, focusing particularly on Florence Nightingale and Edith Cavell.









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Art

This half term, the children will focus on collage, painting, drawing and 3D artwork.

Computing



In Computing, we will be looking at word processing. We will type and make simple alterations to text, search for images and import them into a word document and copy and paste text too.

PSHE

We will be focusing on the topic 'Keeping Safe.' We will discuss situations that are seen as safe and unsafe and suggest actions for dealing with unsafe situations.

Spanish

This term, we will be continuing with the minibeasts unit that we started just before Christmas. Spanish will continue to be taught by Mr Day.

Music

In Music this term we will be investigating pitch using chime bars and by singing songs. We will also be thinking about how sounds can be layered to create texture. Music will continue to be taught by Mrs Whiteley.

PE

All children will take part in two PE sessions each week, delivered by myself and ASM. The children will continue to focus on dance this half term. They will explore ideas, moods and feelings by improvising, and by experimenting with actions, dynamics, directions, levels and a growing range of possible movements.



<u>Useful Information</u>

PE days this half term are every Tuesday and Wednesday. Please can all children come to school in their PE kit on both days and remove all jewellery, including earrings. Children wearing earrings will not be allowed to take part in physical activity.

Reminder: Homework is set on a Friday and needs to be completed and returned to school by the following Wednesday. Reading diaries are also expected in school every day and we ask that children read 5 times a week.

If you have any questions, please email me -

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