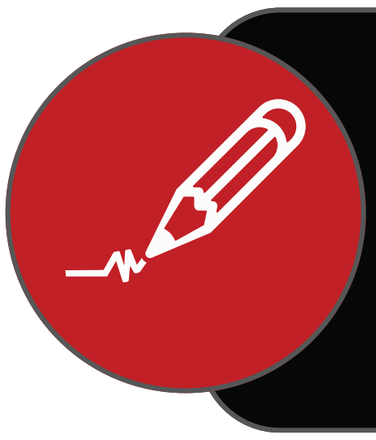
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Mathematics

In mathematics, we will continue learning multiplication and division. The children will learn how to calculate equations using the multiplication facts that they know and will understand the difference between sharing and grouping. Later, the children will use their knowledge of place value to multiply multiples of 10 and 100, leading to the multiplication of 3-digit numbers using short multiplication. Finally, we will begin to divide 2 digit numbers.





English

In English, we will be finishing ‘Father’ by Grahame Baker-Smith as the inspiration for our lessons. During these lessons, children will write retellings, recounts (postcards), setting descriptions, diary entries and instructions.
We will then begin reading ‘The Iron Man’ by Ted Hughes. In this unit children will write chracter descriptions, news reports, letters of advice, and menus (using descriptive devices).

Religious Education

We will begin the half term by learning about Judaism. We will learn about the Torah and why it is important for Jewish people. We will then begin ‘Branch 2’ called ‘Prophecy and Promise’. In this branch the children will learn about different prophets and why they are significant. Finally, the children will think about the Jesse tree and its meaning and representation around the world.



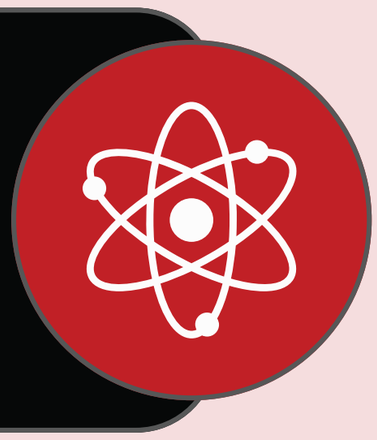


Reading

In reading, we will begin reading ‘Firework-Makers Daughter’ by Phillip Pullman. Within these Whole-Class Reading sessions, children will learn many different reading skills to help support their own development. In Story Time, we will be reading “The girl who lost a leopard’ by Nizrana Farook.

Science

In Science, we will begin by learning about food chains and the transfer of energy from one living thing to another.
We will then explore how the human digestive system works. We will identify and describe each part of the digestive system and its role in digestion.





Latin

In Latin, the children will study the unit ‘Off to town’. During these lessons, we will learn what travel was like in Roman Britain and why families would travel to York.
During Latin lessons children will continue to practise their Latin listening, reading, and speaking skills.

Design Technology

In DT, we will be using levers and mechanisms to create a pop-up book. We will begin by learning about different types of levers and linkages and how they work. The children will then explore different pop-up books and what they contain, before designing, creating and evaluating their own pop-up book.

Geography

Our geography topic this half term is ‘Making a Living’ . We will find out about the different types of jobs industries in the UK and in the wider world. After this, we will learn about how children around the world earn a living for their families

Physical Education

In PE, we will continue with our weekly swimming sessions on a Tuesday.
In school, our topic is gymnastics. We will be building on the skills the children learnt last year. The children will learn a range of jumps and balances. Finally, they will create their own gymnastics sequence.

Personal Development

In our PD sessions, we will begin exploring the topic of puberty. The children will learn what puberty is, the changes that can happen to the body during puberty, and how to manage difficult feelings and emotions.

Key Vocabulary

This half term, the Goldilocks words we will be using include:

Chosen	Carnivore	Vault
Conquer	Producer	Mechanism
Retire	Gymnastics	

Class Notices

Cinema trip - Thursday 12th November
Parents evening - Tuesday 27th and Wednesday 28th October

How parents & carers can help

- Support your child in practising their times tables daily.
- Regular reading with your child.
- Ensuring homework is completed each week.