



## Marvellous Mountains

Spring 2

2019

Homework this term will continue to be set on My Maths (Fridays). If there are any problems accessing this at home, computers will be available Tuesday lunchtimes for children to use. Children are also expected to read regularly at home, with an adult signing their reading record each time. They will have spellings to learn each week and most children will have times tables to practice until they are fluent (fast!) up to 12X12. Year 6 may also be getting some additional preparation for SATS tasks.

PE kits should be in school every day.

Things to remember:

Monday	PE, Times Tables Test
Tuesday	
Wednesday	PE, Music lessons (LMS)
Thursday	
Friday	Spelling Test

### **Computing**

Years 3 & 4: The children will be programming using Turtle Logo to explore and create 2D shapes. They will learn about the algorithms required to make a programme run on the computer.

Year 5 & 6: This half term we will be finishing our podcasts and then we will move on to creating a website using hyperlinks and images..

### **Religious Education**

This half term the children will be considering the question of 'who was Jesus?' They will use their own experience and also stories from the Bible to answer this question in the lead up to Easter.

### **Music**

The children will be refining and performing their compositions from last term. Then they will use playground chants and songs to develop a greater range of musical skills.

### **Science: 3&4**

This half term the children will be learning about the human body, with a particular focus on teeth and the digestive system. They will use correct biological terms for body parts associated with digestion and begin to explain their function.

### **Art**

Part of this half term's work will be looking at local and not-so-local landscapes in preparation for creating a picture for inclusion in a book by a local artist.

### **PSHE**

Years 3 and 4 will be linking their PHSE with science as they look at looking after their bodies and especially their teeth. Years 5 and 6 will think about what makes them special and unique before considering some of the emotional changes they may undergo as they get older.

### **Geography**

Mountains form the focus of our geography work this half term. The National Curriculum states we need to learn the major world mountains, how mountains are formed and investigate a variety of mountain climates. We will be extending this by finding out about some famous mountaineers and their achievements. We will also look at the topography of the local area: Lake District mountains and Yorkshire Dales.

### **PE**

On Wednesdays for the first two weeks, the children will be learning hockey with Miss Speight. They will then change to tag rugby for the rest of the half term. Lunchtime club will also be tag rugby.

On Mondays they will continue to experience a range of sports with Mr Singleton.

### **Science: 5&6**

The children also have the topic title of 'Animals Including Humans' with a focus on the stages of development in humans and other animals. This topic will involve discussion of sexual and asexual reproduction, looking at the development of human beings from fertilisation onwards. They will know that in sexual reproduction a male sperm and female egg are both required. Later in the unit the children will be taught the main changes that take place in puberty in boys and girls. As part of learning about the stages development, children will be comparing the life expectancy of humans and other animals. This will involve talking about older people dying and other characteristics of old age.

The topic is planned to deal with issues sensitively and respond to the needs and maturity of the children, whilst covering the compulsory scientific programme of study. If you have any queries regarding the teaching of this topic, please feel free to come in and talk to me. You can also access the SRE policy on the school website.