

## Hello!

This half-term we are beginning to focus more on our problem solving skills and how we interpret worded questions.

### Key Information

We have Swimming on a Wednesday and PE on a Friday Friday this half-term - children will need weather-appropriate PE kits in school on these days.

### Key Dates

Freedom factory every Monday (FF t-shirt is required)

14.02.25 - Last Day of Spring 1

24.02.25 - Return for Spring 2  
02.04.25 - Visit to St Leonard's Church

Mr Denty

## As writers we will be...

This half-term we have started to focus on how to write a non-chronological report about the planets in our solar system. We have focused on the features of a report and how we construct our sentences to contain technical vocabulary and detailed descriptions

To support your child further, encourage them to read independently, or with younger siblings, at home to develop their vocabulary.

## As readers we will be...

Continuing to develop our fluency skills: the accuracy, pace and pronunciation of the text we read.

We will also be focusing on our skimming and scanning skills to be able to efficiently identify evidence in the text to support our answers. We have been reading different non-chronological reports about space to support our writing.



## As mathematicians we will be...

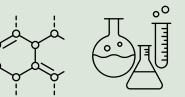
Focusing on arithmetic skills - addition, subtraction, multiplication and division; fractions, decimals and percentages. We will also be applying this knowledge to problem-solving tasks, and multi step questions to develop our understanding.

To support your child please encourage them to access SATs Companion tasks at home.



## As scientists we will be...

Studying the Forces in action. We will be investigating certain forces such as Gravity and friction. In addition, we will be investigating what variables affect how strong certain forces are.



## As historians we will be...

The Mayan Civilisation. The key questions we will be looking at are

1. What was the Mayan civilisation?
2. What was life like in Mayan times?
3. What did the Mayans believe in?
4. What did the Mayans invent?



## As sportspeople we will be...

Developing our gymnastics skills with Mr Strong on a Friday.

In our Wednesday swimming sessions we are learning the important life skill of being able to swim and building a confidence in and around water.



## As IT specialists we will be...

Working on developing our own games. We will be learning lots of programming steps using a software called scratch.

If you will like to try this at home it accessible by all.



## As theologians we will be...

Focusing on the faith Christianity for this half-term.

The focus question we will be considering is: 'Is anything ever eternal?'

Ask your child what they believe about eternity and their thought about this question.



## As musicians we will be...

Studying the composition of music to represent sounds of a festival.

We will be playing chords on musical instruments and interpreting what sound that they can represent. We will also be composing our own music to take the listener on a journey through a festival.



## As linguists we will be...

Continuing with our learning of French. We will be revisiting vocabulary we have previously been learning and beginning to think about Body parts and directions as well as what we find in our towns.

BBC Bitesize have lots of supporting videos for French.



## As designers we will be...

Focusing on self portraits. We will be looking at the fine details such as facial proportions and shading to add intricate details to the face.

