










This half term we will be learning the following things. Here are also some useful hints and tips for helping at home.

	At School	At Home
English	<p>In English we will be:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Writing a character profile</li> <li>Writing a set of instructions</li> <li>Learning how to use apostrophes for possession</li> <li>Using commas in a list</li> </ul> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Encourage your child to read independently at least four times a week, even better if reading is done daily!</li> <li>Read with and to your child to promote a love of reading</li> <li>Look at recipes and other forms of instructions at home. What text features can children identify?</li> </ul>
Maths	<p>In maths we will be learning:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>To recognise the place value of each digit in a 3-digit number (hundreds, tens, ones)</li> <li>To represent, partition, compare and order numbers to 1,000</li> <li>To count in 50s</li> <li>To add and subtract numbers up to 3 digits</li> </ul> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Use TT Rock Stars and Numbots apps</li> </ul>
Science	<p>In our Light topic we will be:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Learning the science model of light energy</li> <li>Exploring reflection and shadows</li> <li>Investigating different materials and their levels of transparency and opacity</li> </ul> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Can children explain what light is and where it comes from?</li> <li>Can children identify materials that are reflective and explain what this means?</li> </ul>
Geography	<p>In our local area study 'What community do we live in?' we will:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Look at where our town is located in relation to the wider world</li> <li>Learn what a community is and what jobs people do within this</li> <li>Explore why Stewart Park is an important feature in our community</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Look at and discuss maps of our local area and town together.</li> <li>Discuss changes to the local area you have seen in your lifetime and talk about them with your child.</li> </ul>
Art	<p>In Art, we will studying the splash and spatter technique of painting.</p> <p>Our key artist is Jackson Pollock, a pioneer of abstract art..</p> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Talk together about Jackson Pollock's artwork.</li> </ul>
Music	<p>In Music we are beginning to learn 'Let Your Spirit Fly' by Joanna Mangona. We will be:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Practising pulse, rhythm and pitch.</li> <li>Creating our own performance to the song.</li> </ul> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Can your child talk about their favourite music and why they like it?</li> </ul>

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P.S.H.E.	<p>Our next PSHE topic is Being Me In My World. During this we will learning to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Set personal goals and face new challenges positively</li> <li>Understand why rules are needed and how they relate to rights and responsibilities</li> <li>Understand that actions affect others and ourselves</li> <li>See things from different points of view</li> </ul> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Set some personal goals together</li> <li>Make/recap house rules and discuss why they are needed. What would happen if there were no rules at home?</li> <li>If you would like access to the PSHE lessons for this half term in more detail, please contact us and we can provide you</li> </ul>
R.E.	<p>In R.E. children will explore the question “Why is the Bible important for Christians today?”:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Learn about which stories are special to Christians and why</li> <li>Investigate what we can learn from sacred books</li> <li>Explore whether living biblically means obeying the whole Bible</li> </ul> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Can children identify important stories and explain their significance?</li> </ul>
P.E.	<p>In P.E. this half term our topic is tag rugby. Learning will focus on:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Teamwork and effective communication</li> <li>Passing and intercepting techniques</li> </ul> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Encourage your child to take part in daily physical exercise.</li> </ul>
Computing	<p>In computing, children will be completing the unit of “Coding” from Purple Mash:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Understand what a flowchart is and how they are used in computer programming</li> <li>Understand and use timers and repeat commands</li> <li>Use their coding knowledge to create a range of programs</li> </ul> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Use the 2code program on Purple Mash website at home to consolidate learning in class.</li> </ul>
Latin	<p>This year, we have chosen to teach Latin because of the rich opportunities that come with learning this ancient language. As well as being a fascinating language in its own right, knowledge of Latin helps to develop literacy skills. Through Latin, children develop their knowledge of spelling and vocabulary through learning Latin roots of English words and deepen their understanding of grammar. Alongside language learning, the study of Roman and Greek civilisations aids cultural literacy, encourages cultural insights and gives opportunities for wide-ranging thinking across many linked subjects (including history, philosophy,</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Discuss any vocabulary links your child has discovered.</li> </ul>
Useful Websites	<p> <a href="http://trockstars.com">trockstars.com</a>  <a href="http://play.numbots.com">play.numbots.com</a>  <a href="http://www.purplemash.com">www.purplemash.com</a>            Google Y3 BBC Bitesize for English, Maths, Science, GPS and much more         </p>	