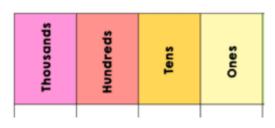
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# **English**

Our first writing unit this term will be inspired by the short video clip, 'Catch It'. We will be writing non-fiction pieces about meerkats and also writing persuasive letters to the vulture from the clip. We will also be writing our own meerkat themed stories. We will listen to poems and write our own poems to celebrate National Poetry Day in October. In guided reading sessions we will be applying our reading and comprehension skills various fiction, non-fiction and poetry.

#### Maths

We will begin the year by refreshing and deepening our knowledge and understanding of place value to include hundreds and thousands. We will then move on to both formal written and mental methods to add and subtract numbers up to three digits. We will begin to understand and use the column method and be able to link this with physical manipulatives.





# Science

This half term we are learning all about rocks and soils. We will be identifying the different types of soil, using our scientific vocabulary to compare various samples, and learning how soil is made. We will look at the different types of rocks there are, natural and human-made, before researching fossils and famous fossil finders such as Mary Anning.



### PE

This half term pupils will be learning and practising their movement and coordination through gymnastics. We will be learning how to jump landing safely. We will also be swimming each Friday. The children should develop water confidence and stroke techniques.

### Computing

We will start this year with E-safety and a focus on self-image and identity. We will then move on to our 'Connected Computers' unit where we will learn how computers connect to one another and external devices including the internet.

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#### MFL

We will begin by learning basic French greetings and how to count to ten. We will learn how to use a French dictionary and how to sound out French words phonetically. We will consider the similarities and differences between English and French pronunciation. We will play games in French to embed our learning.

### **PSHE**

This half term we shall be looking into what it means to belong in a community and beginning of friendships and events in our unit of Beginnings and Belonging.



### Music

The children will be taught music by Mrs Woolf each week. In these lessons, they will learn tempo and sing and use percussion instruments to explore this.



We will be learning about the Hindu story of Rama and Sita. This is an ancient story and the children will learn this in depth. They will learn about the ancient kingdom and come across the first reference to Vishnu.



# <u>Geography</u>

Our geography topic this half term is Rivers. We will learn about the River Indus and how it has changed over time. We will also learn about how rivers get their water and how they shape the land. We will end this topic by learning about the River Severn.



#### Art

We will be learning about the famous artist Pablo Picasso this half term. We will be looking specifically at the art of cubism and applying this art style to create portraits of ourselves and ceremonial facemasks for Ancient Egyptian Pharaohs.



### **History**

Our topic this half term is Ancient Egypt. We will investigate how people lived in ancient times and the impact their civilisation had on the modern world. We will research how pyramids were built and why, as well as the exploring beliefs of the population at this time.

#### DT

Our DT unit focuses on textiles skills and we will design and make our own Egyptian collars. This will include learning how to cross-stitch and appliqué. We will then produce our own designs using fabrics such as felt.

