



Class: Palm Class
Term: Autumn 1

School Trips: TBC
PE: Wednesday (indoor) and Thursday (outdoor)

In English, we will be looking at 'The Dam' by Levi Pinfold. We will be writing a letter of complaint, as well as exploring how to write from the perspective of different characters. Our focus will be on formal language and modal verbs.

In our reading lessons, we will be focusing on retrieval and vocabulary and using the Reading Vipers to help us answer questions about different types of text.

The children should spend some time talking about their own books at home and sharing the different words they have learnt. We have been looking at summarizing things into a few sentences.

In Science, we are learning all about forces. We will look at the invisible forces that have an impact on day-to-day life and then investigate other mechanisms that are used to create force in machinery.

This will lead us into our space topic next term.

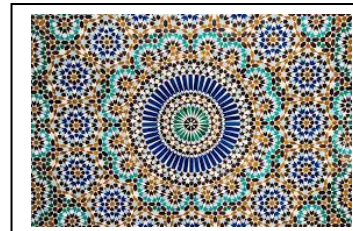
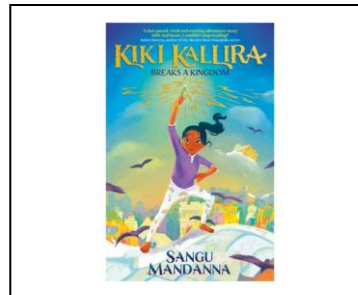
In Art, we will be linking our learning to our English text, 'The Dam'.

In RE, we will focus on Christianity. First, we will look at the general teachings within the religion before moving on to the specific festivals celebrated in the year.

In Maths, the children will be looking at number and place value. We will explore the value of different digits and deepen our understanding of partitioning and using different representations.

Children must focus on their arithmetic this term. They will be bringing home daily homework to embed these methods.

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In Computing, we will focus on e-safety and keeping ourselves safe online. We will also have a go at coding and trying to make objects move in certain ways.

Home Learning Expectations

Daily reading at home: Please bring your child's reading record in each day. The children can write in their own reading record.

Weekly maths home learning: Children will receive weekly maths learning to do at home and bring in by the following Friday.

Weekly spelling: Spellings will be sent home on Friday alongside any other activities.

For indoor PE, we will be devising a dance sequence, inspired by 'The Dam'. For outdoor PE, we will be learning skills used across a range of invasion games.

PE Days: **Wednesday (indoor) and Thursday (outdoor)**

In history we will be learning all about the Golden Age of Islam and focus on life in Ancient Baghdad. We will learn about the importance of this city and how their discoveries have had an impact on our modern-day society.

This will be supported by our whole class reading curriculum this half term where we will look at lifestyles in ancient times.