

ENGLISH

Our central text this half term will be *The Boy at the Back of the Class*, by Onjali Q. Raúf. We will be using this to develop our reading fluency and comprehension skills. Our writing will also be inspired by the story, where we will develop our narrative writing skills and also have a go at writing character descriptions. We will also have a big focus on writing non-negotiables.

SCIENCE

In science this term, we are investigating 'States of Matter', including the similarities and differences between liquids, solids and gases.

HOMEWORK

Children will be assigned **Maths and English** homework on a Friday, which will be due the following Thursday. There will also be a piece of wider curriculum revision homework.

Information for homework will be stuck in homework books each week and on Class Dojo. Please make sure homework books come back into school on a Thursday, even if the homework was online.

SPELLINGS...

The year group spelling lists will be stuck into homework books. Sometimes, English homework will be to learn a section of these lists. We will also be learning spelling 'codes' each week, which may also feature in homework.

CURRICULUM - RE

This term, our curriculum focus is RE. Our learning question is, '*How do people show commitment to God?*'

We will be comparing and contrasting how Christians and Jews show commitment to their God and faith. We will investigate the rules, traditions, celebrations and festivals within Judaism and Christianity and the symbolism behind these.

MATHS

Our first topic, as with every year, will be place value. We will be exploring numbers with 4 digits, building upon our understanding of 3-digit numbers. We will then move onto see how addition can aid our understanding of multiplication and division.

TIMES TABLES (MTC)

By the end of Year 4, it is a national curriculum expectation **that all pupils can confidently recall their times tables, up to 12x12, including their division facts**. Please support us, and your child, to learn their times tables this year. It really does feed in to so many aspects of their mathematical capabilities. Maths homework this year will primarily be times tables practice – **your child will benefit greatly from your support and encouragement with this.**

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READING

Please continue to support your child to continue a love of reading. Reading records should be filled in 5 times per week and returned to school **every Friday morning** to be counted. Please contact Miss Sibbick if you need any suggestions for new books/authors/genres to read! I'll be more than happy to help you find something you love.

Most importantly – enjoy your reading time!

WIDER CURRICULUM

PSHE – Celebrating Differences

Computing – Multimedia

Music – Singing with Mrs Pearson

PE – dance and athletics

PE will usually be on a Monday morning. Please wear PE kits on a Monday morning and keep kits in school all week in case of any other PE sessions. Remember that we expect full Keelby PE kit, earrings to be removed and hair tied back every week.