

ENGLISH

Our central text this half term will be *The Iron Man* by Ted Hughes. 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 write a newspaper report and continue to develop our narrative writing. We will continue our focus on writing non-negotiables.

SCIENCE

In science this term, we are investigating 'Electrical Systems'. We will be constructing electrical circuits and making enquiries about them. We will also look at circuit diagrams and symbols.

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/or 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 - GEOGRAPHY

This term, our curriculum focus is Geography. Our learning question is, *'What makes Whitby wonderful?'*

We will locate Whitby using maps, identify key characteristics of Whitby and its surrounding area, investigate the industry in Whitby and, of course, look back on our Whitby residential fieldwork!



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READING

Please continue to support your child to continue a love of reading. Reading records should be filled in a minimum of 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!

MATHS

In maths, we will be building upon our solid start in multiplication and division. Now that we have learned our times tables, it is time to apply them using written methods of multiplication and division. We will also be building upon our knowledge of multiplying and dividing by 10, 100 and 1000.

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.**

WIDER CURRICULUM

PSHE – Dreams and Goals

Computing – Information Technology

Music – Singing with Mrs Pearson

PE – Dance and gymnastics

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.