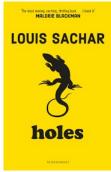


Welcome to Term 2!

We wish you a warm welcome back for Term 2 and hope you have all had an enjoyable October break.

In term 2, we will be reading the book Holes by Louis Sachar and this will form the basis of our reading and writing lessons. The crime and punishment theme within the book will initiate many discussions in these lessons including whether children under 16 years of age should be sent to correctional facilities and whether prisoners be forced to wear the same uniforms as one and other. During these lessons, the children will be developing the skills required to write a balanced argument and take part in a debate. In our second unit of reading and writing, we will be exploring homelessness and working on various pieces of writing linked to this.



In maths, we will develop our understanding of order of operations and fractions: the children will add, subtract, multiply and divide improper, proper and mixed number fractions. We will be consolidating and extending our learning based on the formal written methods for addition, subtraction, multiplication and division to improve our arithmetic abilities alongside this new learning.

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Our science learning this term will focus on Living Things and Their Habitats in which we will be exploring the classification of animals. There will also be opportunities to complete investigations and

In history, the children will be learning about how crime and punishment has changed throughout history. We will explore crime and punishment from the Anglo Saxon era through the present day.

Our PE will continue to take place on Wednesday. Tag Rugby will be the focus. Please ensure your child is dressed appropriately for the weather for these sessions as both will be outside.

In R.E, we will be thinking about the big question — How significant is it that Mary was Jesus' mother? This unit of work will prompt discussion around the Christmas story and Christianity.

In online safety, we will be looking at online bullying; what this looks like; how to capture evidence of it and how to report it. In computing, we will be using Scratch to create their own game.

Homework will continue to be given out on a Friday and needs to be returned the following Wednesday. Reading records should also be updated and handed in on a Wednesday to be checked please - we would like to see children reading and recording these five times per week. To encourage independence, children are able to write in their own reading records in Year 6.

Thank you for your continued support.

Miss Sparkes, Miss Matthews, Mrs Oliver and Mrs Coates.

Meet the team

Please email your child's class teacher if there is anything you wish to discuss.

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work scientifically within this unit.