



Welcome to a new half term in Emerald Class.

We hope you all had a lovely and relaxing Christmas break, ready for a new term of learning.

Our theme this half term is China.

Please check the school website and our class page for updates and photos during the half term.

Our Gospel Value this half term is Hope

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Jesus, friend to everyone

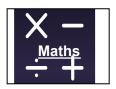


Key questions

- What is a miracle?
- Why are these stories important?
- Why did Jesus welcome everyone?
- I wonder how it felt to meet Jesus?
- What did Jesus want us to learn from his behaviour?
- What do these stories reveal about Jesus?

English

We will be looking at stories with familiar settings and writing our own story based on Katie Morag stories. We will be reading lots of stories written by our class author, Anthony Browne. In our writing we will be focussing on ensuring that we will continue to include our non negotiables and working on upleveling our writing to create interest for the reader.



In Maths this term we will be learning to:

Identify, represent and estimate numbers using different representations, including the number line

Compare and order numbers from 0 up to 100; use <, > and = signs

Solve problems with addition and subtraction:

- using concrete objects and pictorial representations, including those involving numbers, quantities and measures
- 2. applying their increasing knowledge of mental and written methods

Order and arrange combinations of mathematical objects in patterns and sequences

Use mathematical vocabulary to describe position, direction and movement including movement in a straight line and distinguishing between rotation as a turn and in terms of right angles for quarter, half and three-quarter turns (clockwise and anti-clockwise).

Science Animals including humans

We will learn that animals, including humans, have offspring which grow into adults and find out about and describe the basic needs of animals, including humans, for survival (water, food and air)

Geography Place knowledge

This term we will be learning about understanding geographical similarities and differences through studying the human and physical geography of a small area of the United Kingdom (London), and of a small area in a contrasting non-European country (Beijing in China)

<u>P.E</u>

Dance and Bounce ball

Thursdays

**Please make sure children come to school wearing their PE kits. Plain black leggings or trousers, white T-shirt and either school jumper/cardigan or plain black*



<u>Music</u>

Exploring Feelings Through MusicHow Does Music Make the World a Better Place?



Design Technology

This half term we will be looking at tasting and designing our very own dip.

Home-School Partnership

Things to remember to bring to school every day

Book bag, reading record and book and water bottle.

Our expectations and learning ethos

In Emerald Class, the expectations are that your child will be a self-motivated and enthusiastic learner. To encourage this, your child has many opportunities to be rewarded through house points, Star of the Week, class rewards such as certificates and small prizes. We also hope you will support us in reinforcing our class rules, which we have written together and agreed as a class, to make our class a safe, happy and productive place to be.



This half term, your child will receive some different open-ended project tasks to be completed by the end of the half term. The projects are based on the topics we are doing in class. We would encourage you to support your child and work together on the projects, where necessary, and the children will then share their projects with the rest of the class once they are completed.



Daily Home Learning

School reading book to be read **every night** and journal signed by an adult. Reading is so important for your child's development and progress across the curriculum, so please encourage your child by listening to them **every day.**



Each week your child will be given new spellings on Monday for a spelling quiz on Friday. Please support your child in learning their spellings, using their spelling books.

And finally ...

The education of your child is a partnership between you and us. Please contact us if you have any worries or concerns about your child or feel there is something we need to be aware of. If you cannot see us at school, we can be contacted via the school office.

Here's to another wonderful half term!

Mrs Summerbell

