

Welcome back to another exciting half-term! We hope you have had a fun and relaxing break.

This half term our topic is Inventions. We will be exploring the history and science of electricity and building our own electronic board games. Our class text will continue to be 'Harry Potter' by J K Rowling. Please see the topic planner overleaf for more information.

PE will take place on Tuesday and Wednesday afternoons; please make sure your child has the correct PE Kit in school. Swimming will **continue** on **Wednesday 21st February** for children in Year 3, with a surname J - Z Please ensure that these children have swimming kit and a towel on Wednesdays. They will return to school for 3.30 pm.

Homework will be given out on Friday and will include a writing activity and a maths activity. Spellings will also be sent home for a spelling test the following Friday. Please continue to read with your child, and encourage them to complete homework weekly. Rewards will be given in class to children who reach the targets, so please remember to make a note in the reading diary so we know when they are ready to change their books, and can make sure they are rewarded.

If you have any queries please feel free to come and see one of the staff.

Miss Sandoval (Class Teacher) and Mrs Jefferies (TA)



Parent / Carer Information

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Elephants

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English

This half-term we are continuing to read Harry Potter and the Philosopher's Stone by J K Rowling in guided reading. We will continue to explore new and exciting vocabulary. We will also be studying the story in detail to understand it better.

Maths

This half-term we will continue to deepen our understanding of mathematical concepts and improve our use of mathematical language. We will continue to practice explaining our thinking and applying our knowledge to different situations and problems. We will also be continuing to improve our fluency in the 4 main operations.

History

In History, we will be researching famous inventors, and exploring how their inventions have impacted and changed the way we live today. Our focus will be devising historically accurate questions.

PE

We will be focusing on gymnastics this half term: developing our use of balances, jumps and moving styles.

Art / DT

In DT we will be designing, planning and making electronic board games to fit a certain specification. We will look at existing board games and adapt this design to make it our own. In art we will use graphic design to advertise our board games before presenting this advertisement at the end of term.

Science

In Science we will be investigating electricity. We will explore different circuits and how inventions over the years have used electricity to function. Over the five weeks, we will be designing and building our own electric quiz boards, which we will share with you before Easter break!

PHSCE / RE

Our R.E lessons will centre on Hinduism, mainly focusing on the journey of life for a Hindu and how that compares with the lives of other religions. PHSCE lessons will explore how we need to respect others and our differences and learn to tolerate others and their beliefs.

Computing

In computing we will be using the program Scratch JR to help us learn how to code.

