

### Literacy:

We will begin with a focus on the text *Yours Sincerely, Giraffe* to provide the stimulus of our writing this term. Combined with close links to geography, the children will focus on letter writing and speech punctuation. We will also cover non-fiction writing and diary writing.

Reading VIPERS will continue in small differentiated groups. Each day the focus rotates between the following five activities: reading with a teacher, a follow up task, handwriting with a phonics or spelling link, developing inference skills and a story on our library bus.

Spelling booklets will be given out and children should continue to practise using Spelling Shed to be tested every Tuesday. New spellings are set each Thursday.

### PD:

The topic for the term is Health and Wellbeing. Using *My Monster and Me* children will explore how to manage their anxiety. Our class read, 'The Boy Who Made The World Disappear', is the stimulus for our work on emotion regulation. There will also be an RSE unit in the second half of the term. Resources will be shared before half term.

### Art:

Children will explore a series of international artists including Bonita Ely and Yayoi Kusama, and they will use a wide range of techniques including; collage, sketching and painting.

### PE/Games:

Games continues to be covered in PPA with a rotation of basketball, tennis and orienteering. PE will be dance. Our workshop day on Monday 19<sup>th</sup> February will support the children's learning as they will be learning a traditional Chinese Dragon dance. REMINDER: PE kit to be worn to school on the following days:

Games for EVERYONE on Wednesday.

PE for 3S - Monday, 3R - Tuesday, 3TM - Friday

## Around the World in 80 Days



### MFL - French:

We will be learning simple classroom instructions, recapping colours and learning and describing some items of clothing

### Music:

We will be playing the recorder, focussing on rhythm, note length and notes B, A and G.

### Geography:

The children will embark on a journey around the world inspired by an adaptation of Jules Verne's novel. They will be taking in some of the ancient and modern wonders of the world and reporting back using postcards and diaries to journal their travels. We will be looking at our repeated themes of features, faces, food and festivals.

### Maths:

Within their maths groups children will be beginning the term with multiplication and division, moving on to length, perimeter and fractions. Monday lessons will continue to focus on times tables and arithmetic. We will continue to celebrate our super TTRockstars of the week too.

### DT:

Children will use their science knowledge of magnets and forces to make a flying kite scene and they will begin learning simple sewing techniques.

### Science:

For the first half term we focus on light. We aim to ensure all lessons have a strong practical element where the children can plan, carry out and assess their own experiments. The second half of the term is based around forces and children will apply this learning to a hands-on DT project!

### WOW Days:

Chinese Dragon Workshop: Monday 19<sup>th</sup> February - cost £3 (supplemented by Friends).

Cherry Blossom Festival: Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> March 2024.

Trip to Wisley: Friday 15<sup>th</sup> March: this introduces our Summer Term topic to the children.