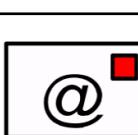




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| | <p>Teacher's Message</p> | <p>Welcome back and Happy New Year! We hope you all had a wonderful Christmas break.</p> |
| | <p>Homework</p> | <p><u>Set on a Wednesday and collected in on a Tuesday (Dojos are awarded for an early hand in)</u></p> <p>English: This will continue to be set on Atom. Please encourage your child to reflect on any errors and watch the videos which are there to support.</p> <p>Spellings continue to be set on Emile. This task should be completed at least twice during the week.</p> <p>Maths:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> A half arithmetic maths practise SATs paper will continue to be sent home weekly. The previous week will be marked and returned in the folder. Please encourage your child to reflect on errors. All the skills have been taught with the exception of long division and calculating percentage. <p>Reading: Children should read for a minimum of ten minutes every evening.</p> |
| | <p>Reading for Pleasure</p> | <p>This half term we will be continuing with When We Were Warriors by Emma Carroll.</p> |
| | <p>Writing</p> | <p>The writing focus is centred around Shackleton's Journey. Their final piece of writing will be a journal entry and the children will need to evidence that they can:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Distinguish between the language of speech and writing Recognise vocabulary and structures for formal speech and writing, including subjunctive forms Use passive verbs Use semi-colons to mark boundaries between independent clauses <p>We will also be stepping up the focus on punctuation and grammar to ensure children are able to confidently define terms and have the appropriate understanding at year 6 level.</p> |
| | <p>Maths</p> | <p>This half term the children will be particularly learning about decimals and percentages as well as building on their problem solving skills.</p> |

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|  | RE | For Spring 1 our topic is: Galilee to Jerusalem. where we will be exploring the new law given by Jesus and his summary of the law of Moses. We will be studying the Transfiguration of Jesus, where Peter, James and John see him accompanied by the great prophet Elijah and Moses the law giver. |
|  | Science | Living things and their habitats will be our focus. The children will be able to describe how living things are classified into broad groups according to common observable characteristics and based on similarities and differences, including microorganisms, plants and animals. |
|  | History | This half term the children will be looking at Teignmouth through the ages. The children will be researching and understanding how Teignmouth changed during the Victorian era, World War II and comparisons to the modern day. |
|  | Music | This term we will benefit from one hour a week learning how to play the djembe drum and creating a class samba band. |
|  | RHE | This half term the children will learn about stereotypes in the workplace and that a person's career aspirations should not be limited by them. Some jobs are paid more than others and money is one factor which may influence a person's job or career choice; people may choose to do unpaid voluntary work |
|  | PE | PE lessons will be held on Tuesdays and Wednesdays. The children will be taught gymnastics and dance. Make sure / check your child brings in their PE kit each week. Please make sure it is labelled with their name and surname. |
|  | Computing | The children will be learning about programming. They will learn how to decompose a program into an algorithm and learn how to write algorithms for a purpose. The children will learn how to debug quickly and effectively to make a program more efficient. |
|  | Teacher contact: | <i>Class 6 Dojo Page.</i> We will regularly update Dojo with reminders and information about the class. Please do not hesitate to use this platform to communicate with either one of us. Please note that teachers are teaching from 8.30 am - 3.15 pm. If your contact is urgent please contact the school office office@olsp.uk during the school day. There is no requirement for a teacher to reply to emails or class dojo messages received after 6 pm or at the weekend. |

Please do not hesitate to contact one of us should you have any questions or concerns.

Mrs O'Sullivan and Mrs Blatchford