## English

This half-term term the children will be exploring narratives based on 'The Explorer' by Katherine Rundell. Using inspiration from this story, the children will be writing their own narrative. For our non-fiction topic, the children will be creating newspaper articles based on the recent Amazon Rainforest plane crash.

# SPAG (Spelling, Punctuation and Grammar)

The children will be revision the writing features they learnt throughout Year 4, including expanded noun phrases, fronted adverbials and dialogue. The children will be identifying these features in texts and applying them in their own writing.

## Mathematics

This half-term, the children will be using concrete materials to explore place value. They will be learning to read and write numbers to a million. The children will also be learning to partition numbers and identify numbers on a number line. They will be comparing and rounding numbers.

It is essential that children practice their time tables weekly using TT Rockstars or Hit the Button. Each child has their own individual login for TT Rockstars. If your child needs a reminder of their login, please contact their class teacher.

### French & Music

Children will having weekly steel pan sessions (with Mr Sinclair) and French lessons (with Madame Norris) will be on Thursday mornings. They will also have singing lessons with Rachel on Fridays. Autumn 1

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#### Computing

This half-term, the children will be looking at Excel. They will be using it to create spreadsheets involving formulas.

#### PSHE

This half-term, our topic is 'Being Me in My World'. The children will learn about their rights and responsibilities.

#### Art

The children will be investigating the work of Vincent Van Gough. They will focus on simple perspective, single point perspective and pointillism.

#### **Big Question**

This half-term our Big Question topic is 'Can I time travel?'. The children will be learning about latitude and longitude lines, including the equator and prime meridian. They will be using grid references on maps to identify the location of places around the world. The children will also be learning to use the longitude lines to identify the different time zones.

#### Science

This half-term our Science topic is 'Can you feel the force?'. The children will be exploring the different forces that act on moving objects, investigating the effect of forces such as air resistance and water resistance. They will be conducting a range of investigations to explore the effects of these forces.

## P.E-Sport

This half-term, our focus will to be on gymnastics. All children **MUST have the school PE kit** of a plain white T-shirt, black leggings/black shorts and pumps/trainers in a small PE bag. Uniform can be bought from the school office. PE kit must be brought in every **Monday** and **Thursday**.

All earrings must be removed or covered and long hair must be tied back for health and safety reasons.

## Homework

Weekly homework tasks will be sent home on **Friday** and are due in on **Wednesday** the following week.

## **Daily tasks**

- Times tables to be practised daily (TT Rockstars).
- Home reading book to be read and commented on.
- Reading journals to be used where appropriate

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