

Mrs Rimmington
Mrs Zaman
Miss Henshaw

Welcome back! We hope you've had a fantastic Christmas and enjoyed some quality time with your loved ones.

English

In English, we will be studying narrative through the book *Holes*. Students will explore important themes such as friendship, fairness, and doing what's right through the story of Stanley Yelnats at Camp Green Lake. The novel shows how past actions can influence the future and how courage and determination help people overcome challenges. It also highlights the power of kindness, the effects of prejudice, and how friendship can bring hope even in difficult times



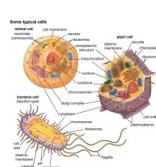
Maths

In Maths, pupils will be developing their understanding of number and data. They will practise rounding numbers to the nearest 10, 100 and 1,000, and will learn how to represent and interpret data using pictograms, bar charts, tables and scatter graphs. Pupils will also explore coordinates, correlation and lines of best fit. Alongside this, they will deepen their understanding of fractions, decimals and percentages by exploring equal parts, fractions on a number line and equivalent values. Learning will be reviewed through regular assessments to support progress.



Science

This half term, students learn that all living things are made of cells — the basic building blocks of life. They use light microscopes to observe and draw animal and plant cells, compare their structures and functions, and explore unicellular organisms such as bacteria and yeast. Students also develop an understanding of scale by comparing the sizes of cells and their parts.



PSHE

In PSHE, pupils will be learning about health, well-being and relationships. They will explore key changes linked to puberty, including learning about boys' puberty and periods, in a sensitive and age-appropriate way. Pupils will also focus on building safe, healthy and positive relationships, understanding the importance of trust, and learning how to manage friendships and fall-outs respectfully.



Personal Development Programme

Next term, pupils will continue to take part in our Personal Development programme, which supports their social, emotional and mental health needs while building important life and work-related skills. In each lesson, pupils will be encouraged to grow in confidence and self-awareness, show a positive attitude to learning, work well with others, and manage their own behaviour.



POL-ED

Pupils will be learning how to build positive and respectful relationships. They will explore the difference between banter and bullying, learn about child-on-child abuse in an age-appropriate way, and discuss healthy ways to deal with conflict and friendship breakdowns. Pupils will also consider why trust is important and develop their understanding of a wide range of emotions, helping them to recognise and manage their feelings.



Extra-Curricular

- ◆ Doe Park
- ◆ Visits from external organisations
- ◆ Forest Schools and other off site activities

How you could support your child:

- Show an interest in what your child is learning about
- Ensure they come to school in the correct uniform