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

## English



We are starting the year with a reading focus. We will be exploring the book 'Face' by Benjamin Zephaniah. We will explore the issues raised in the book and use this to develop our reading and text manipulation skills. We will investigate the author's choice of language in the book and the impact this has on the reader. We will also continue to improve our writing skills using the themes in this book.

## Maths

Pupils will be exploring a range of exciting maths topics with strong real-life links. They will develop their understanding of fractions and rates, apply standard form to very large and very small numbers, and explore maths and money, including budgeting and real-world problem solving. Pupils will also revisit the four operations and learn how to represent patterns and relationships using straight line graphs. These topics will help pupils see how maths is used in everyday situations such as shopping, travel, science and work-related contexts.

## Science



Pupils will explore Earth and the atmosphere, learning about the layers of the Earth, the structure of the atmosphere and how our planet supports life. They will investigate topics such as weather, climate change, the greenhouse effect and natural resources, linking science to real-world issues we see in the news every day. Pupils will also explore how human activity impacts the planet and why protecting our environment is so important for the future. This topic helps pupils understand the world around them and the science behind global challenges.

## PSHE

Next half-term, pupils will focus on key health and well-being topics, including healthy eating on a budget, where to find health advice and support, and the safe use of prescription drugs and antibiotics. Pupils will also develop vital life-saving skills through first aid and CPR, while learning about gambling risks and FGM to help keep themselves and others safe in real-life situations.

## Personal Development Programme

Next half-term, pupils will take part in our Personal Development programme, which supports social, emotional and mental health while building important life and work-related skills. Through a hands-on Come Dine With Me experience, pupils will plan, problem-solve, cook and work as a team. Each session will encourage pupils to build confidence and self-awareness, develop a positive attitude to learning, interact positively with others and manage their own behaviour in real-life situations. We'll also take part in some more STEM challenges.



## POL-ED



Next half-term, pupils will explore important themes around personal safety and healthy relationships. Lessons will help pupils understand how to stay safe both online and offline, recognise risky situations, and make informed choices. Pupils will also discuss respect, consent, and how relationships can be influenced by the media, supporting them to build positive, safe and respectful relationships with others.

## Extra-Curricular

- ◆ Doe Park
- ◆ Indoor Climbing
- ◆ Cooking
- ◆ Reward Trips

### How you could support your child:

- Show an interest in what your child is learning about
- Ensure they come to school in the right uniform
- Keep in contact with school regarding any relevant issues