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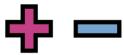
In Literacy, the children will begin by reading 'Frindleswylde' by Natalia and Lauren O'Hara, using the story as inspiration to write their own narrative sequel. They will focus on creating atmosphere through description and dialogue. Later in the term, they will study 'The Selfish Giant' by Oscar Wilde and write their own stories about kindness, developing rich vocabulary and cohesive storytelling.

Literacy



In Reading, the children will begin with 'The Firework Maker's Daughter' by Philip Pullman, exploring themes of courage, creativity, and determination while developing key skills such as inference and prediction. Later in the term, they will enjoy 'Poems from a Green and Blue Planet', using poetry to explore language, imagery, and the natural world through discussion and performance.

Maths





This half-term in Maths, the children will begin by exploring measurement, focusing on finding and comparing the area of shapes using standard units. They will then move on to multiplication and division, where they will learn and apply written methods, recall key facts, and use reasoning to solve a range of problems.

Science



Our Science topic is States of Matter. The children will learn about solids, liquids and gases, and how materials change state when they are heated or cooled. Through practical investigations, they will explore evaporation, condensation, and how these processes link to the water cycle.

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### Computing



In Computing, the children will be focusing on creating media – audio production. They will learn how to plan, record, and edit their own audio clips using digital tools.

Through this unit, the children will develop their understanding of how sound can be used to convey meaning, mood, and information. They will also explore how to combine voice, music, and effects to create a polished final product, while learning the importance of working responsibly and safely with digital media.





Linking to our History topic, the children will be learning about systems and structures by designing and building their own Shaduf – a device used by Ancient Egyptians to lift water from the Nile. They will plan, test and improve their models using a range of materials and techniques.

#### **History**



Our History topic this half-term is Ancient Egypt. We will learn about key events of Ancient Egyptian history and sequence these accurately, use a range of secondary sources to research life in Ancient Egypt, and link last half-term's Geography learning about the River Nile to explain the significance of this important River on life in Ancient Egypt.

#### Languages



In Languages, the children will continue to build their confidence in Spanish, revisiting vocabulary from Year 3. This term, they will focus on numbers and family members, practising speaking and listening through songs, games and simple conversations.

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#### Music



In Music, the children will focus on classical compositions, exploring how rhythm and tempo shape mood and expression. They will listen carefully, discuss key features, and perform short sections to deepen their appreciation of classical music.

PE



In PE, the children will be learning to play badminton, developing their coordination, accuracy and control. They will learn how to hold the racket correctly, serve with precision, and sustain rallies with increasing consistency. As their skills progress, they will begin to apply tactics and positioning to small games, building confidence, agility, and an understanding of how to play competitively and fairly.

**PSHE** 



In PSHE, the children will explore the theme of Rights and Respect. They will learn about fairness, equality and personal responsibility, considering how their words and actions can show respect for others. Through discussions and practical activities, they will develop their understanding of how to make positive choices, build a kind and inclusive community, and play an active role in caring for the world around them.

RE



In RE, the children will continue to learn about Christianity, exploring the question: Why is Communion an important part of Christian worship? They will discover how Communion helps Christians remember Jesus and feel part of a wider faith community.