

English

Reading - Our guided reading will be based around three texts by Oliver Jeffers. 'How to Catch a Star, Lost and Found and Up and Down'. We will be talking about the characters, setting, illustrations, similarities and differences, make predictions and learn lots of new vocabulary.

Writing - Our writing this half term will be a mix of both fiction and non-fiction based on our artist Picasso. We will begin by thinking about **QUESTIONS**. What would we ask? What questions give us the most information? How do we write a question? We will then write a non-chronological report based on what we have learned from the questions we have asked.

Our fiction will be based on a great story called 'Picasso's Trousers' written by Nicholas Allen. Here we will learn to tell how a character is feeling by their appearance, expression and posture. We will also begin to create our own comic strip.

COMPUTING

- In our computing learning we will become painters.
- This unit will enable the children to:
 - *use the web safely to find ideas for an illustration
 - *select and use appropriate painting tools to create and change images on the computer
 - *understand how this use of ICT differs from using paint and paper create an illustration for a particular purpose
 - *know how to save, retrieve and change their work
 - *reflect on their work and act on feedback received.

Through our work on Picasso we will also become Super Scientists.

We will be finding out about different materials, learning to name and categorise them.

We also will be investigating the properties of materials and using this knowledge to carry out an experiment.



Our class authors this half term are Jill Murphy and Lauren Childs.

Key Maths learning this half term:

This half term the children will be:

Adding and subtracting numbers up to 20

Naming and sorting 2D and 3D shapes

Counting, representing and ordering numbers and groups of objects to 20

In History we will be learning all about Picasso's life.



In our art lessons we will be creating our own masterpieces using Picasso as our inspiration.

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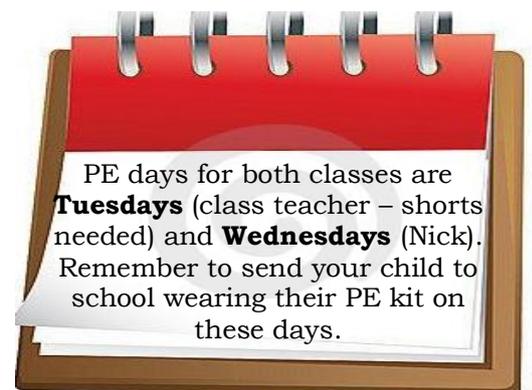
This half term the children will be learning about Judaism.



PSHE:

Following our Go-Givers topics we will be focussing on what rules are; caring for others' needs and looking after the environment. We will also be looking at using the internet and digital devices safely.

In Geography we will be naming and locating the four countries and capital cities of the United Kingdom. We will also be looking at and naming the seas surrounding the UK.



PE days for both classes are **Tuesdays** (class teacher – shorts needed) and **Wednesdays** (Nick). Remember to send your child to school wearing their PE kit on these days.