

### Welcome back

This half term we will begin our topic on Brazil. We will learn about where Brazil is and what its physical and human features are. We will then consider life in Rio de Janeiro, including in the Favelas. Many of our lessons across the curriculum will be linked to this topic!

Mrs Kennerley and Mrs McIvor

### Dates for your diary

Wednesday 25th March :- South America Showcase—2.30pm

You are invited to come and watch the children showcase their work from this term.

### Homework

Thank you for your ongoing support with your child's learning at home.

This half term we will use a homework grid as usual. Your child will need to complete five pieces of homework to be handed in by 25th March

We will continue to check the children's reading record book on a Friday to ensure the children have read at least four times a week at home.

### English

This half term we will look at persuasive writing. The children will be using persuasive techniques to write a letter to stop deforestation. Additionally, we will be practising many poetic devices when we write rain-forest poetry. Grammar will be taught once a week and consolidated in our reading and writing. In addition to this, children will be reading in groups and be encouraged to visit the library to support regular independent reading.

# Brazil

### Maths

This half term we will continue our work on fractions, learning about fractions as operators, finding fractions of amounts, adding, subtracting and multiplying fractions. Finally, we will begin our work on decimals which starts with understanding the link between decimals and fractions.

### Science

Our Science topic is Materials, where we will continue to develop ways to separate materials including filtration and evaporation

### Art

We will study the work of Beatriz Milhazes and a sculpture from the Inhotim Museum in Brazil to create our own 3D colourful sculptures.

### Music

We shall be listening to and playing 'samba' rhythms as well as learning songs associated with Brazil

### Computing

We will be designing and creating our own computer games using Purple Mash. We will also use the Chromebooks for research.

### PE

Swimming continues on Tuesdays with our outdoor games lesson on Thursdays. Please make sure your child has the correct kit on these days.

### RE and PSHE

This term we will continue to work on the question -What does it mean to be a Muslim in Britain today?

We will be looking at careers in our circle time sessions as well as our digital foot-prints.