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Homework

Thank you for your incredible Van Gogh homework projects! Our next project will be set after Christmas.

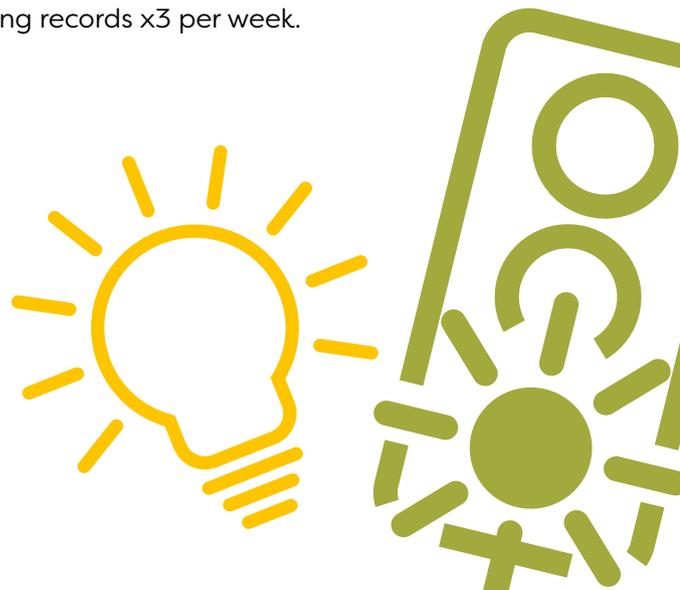
Weekly homework will be set on Seesaw. Please ensure you regularly encourage your child to log on and complete the tasks set.

Reading recorded in reading records x3 per week.

Times Table Rockstars

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Writing

In English lessons this half term, we will explore both fiction and non-fiction texts.

We will learn how to write 'rags to riches' stories, using the book *Cloud Tea Monkeys* as an example. We will focus on developing the characters of our stories, by conveying their emotions and feelings in a variety of ways. We will also incorporate the use of pronouns, superlatives and subordination into our writing.

We will then move on to write our own non-fiction recounts. These will be in the form of non-chronological reports that will present information about a chosen topic.

Reading

We very much enjoyed our first two reciprocal reading books this year - *The Diary of a Killer Cat* and *The Queen's Nose*. It is always interesting to discuss the books we are reading, summarise what has happened so far, make predictions about the plot yet to be revealed!

We will start *Charlotte's Web* after half-term. The children are already very excited about reading this much-loved story.

Our library slot is now every Thursday afternoon. Children will have the opportunity to explore lots of wonderful stories and fascinating non-fiction books.

Maths

We are almost finished our addition and subtraction unit. Following our end of unit assessment, we will move on to multiplication and division. Before Christmas, we will have time to reflect on what we have learnt in Maths lessons this term and revisit some of the more challenging concepts.



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Geography

In Geography this half term we will be learning about South America and the Amazon Rainforest. Over the course of this unit, we will explore the following questions:

- Where is South America?
- What is a biome and which biomes are there in South America?
- What makes up the Amazon Rainforest?
- How is the changing of the Rainforest affecting our planet?
- What can we do to reduce the damage to our planet?

Science

Our Science topic this half-term is all about rocks. We will investigate these questions in our weekly lessons:

- How are rocks different?
- Where do rocks come from?
- How can rocks be useful?
- How is soil formed?
- What is a fossil?
- Why was Mary Anning an important scientist?

Music

We will be learning how to play the djembe this half term. The djembe is a West African hand drum.

Clog dancing

This year, Year 3 are very fortunate to have the opportunity to learn clog dancing! Lessons will take place each Tuesday morning, with a performance for parents in the Spring term. It is hoped that there will also be an additional performance with other participating schools in the Summer term.

PE

Dance and Dodgeball. PE will take place on Wednesday afternoon.

Computing

Online safety

RE

This half term we will be considering the question What is it like for someone to follow God?

PSHE

Health and well-being - what keeps us safe?

French

Animals

