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### Pre-School

Pre-School are finding out about jungle animals this half term.

We will be looking at their patterns, where they live and what noises they make. We will be talking about Spring and the celebrations during this time, such as Pancake Day, Mother's Day, St David's Day and Easter. We will continue to do lots of outdoor learning, mark making, phonics and maths.



### Reception

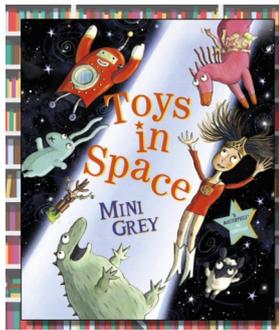
This half term Reception are learning about Dinosaurs. So far they have enjoyed reading the text 'Gigantosaurus' and drawing dinosaur shadows outside in the sun. Next week they are going to be making dinosaur fossils! After this we will be learning about planting; we are going to be planting different seeds and learning about what seeds need to grow. In PE and during outdoor learning the children will be practising throwing and catching.



### Year 1

In Year 1 this half term we are reading the book 'Toys in Space'.

In English we are learning how to write sentences using the conjunctions 'and' and 'because'. In History the children will be learning about old toys and comparing them to toys we have today. In Science the children are learning about different materials and describing their properties. In Art the children will be drawing lines of different shapes and thicknesses using a variety of tools.



### Year 2

This half term Year 2 will be exploring the country of Kenya. We will be looking at what life is like and comparing it to our lives. We will also be learning to creating electronic quizzes using Scratch Jr.

In Art we are looking at the sculpture artist Arlene Wandera and creating our own African inspired thumb pot.



## Year 3

This week sisters Alice and Penelope have written our newsletter.

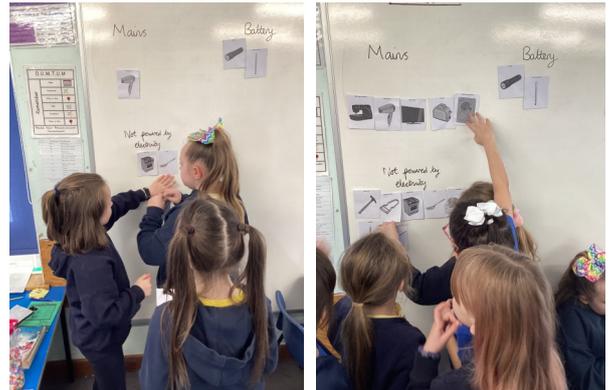
*"We are looking forward to learning lots of new things this term. We have started reading an amazing story called Journey, it is an interesting story but sad at times. We are going to write our own ending to the story by the end of the term. We are also going to be learning about plants and how the sun and water help them to grow. We are doing an experiment that will last all term to help us see what a plant needs to survive. In RE we are looking at what kind of*

*world Jesus would want, we already know that Jesus was a helpful person and he would want us to be the same."*



## Year 4

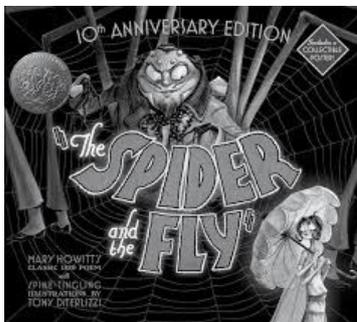
Year 4 have a very busy half term ahead. We will be continuing to practise our times tables ready for the check later in the year. In English, we are starting off by completing a non-chronological report on The Ancient Egyptians. This is a topic the children have loved so will be a nice way to start Spring 2. In Science, we are looking at electricity and have completed our first lesson where the children sorted electrical appliances based on whether they are run off mains electricity or batteries. We will be looking at salvation in RE. Hopefully, it will be a fun few weeks!



## Year 5

We have a busy half term ahead, but here are a few things we are looking forward to.

We will be studying the poem 'The Spider and the Fly' in our English lessons, and will be building up to rewriting it as a story full of suspense. Maths will focus on decimals and percentages, perimeter and area, and statistics. As part of our Science learning we will be continuing to explore the properties of materials and how materials can be changed. Our Geography unit will allow us to explore the trading of goods across the world and fairtrade products.



## Year 6

As we venture through the Spring 2 term, Year 6 will be basing their writing outcomes around the novel 'A Series of Unfortunate Events'.

We will also be preparing further towards SATs!

In DT, the class will be developing their textiles skills to produce a phone case holder.

In History, we will be focusing on the influence of Early Islamic Empire on the British Empire.

