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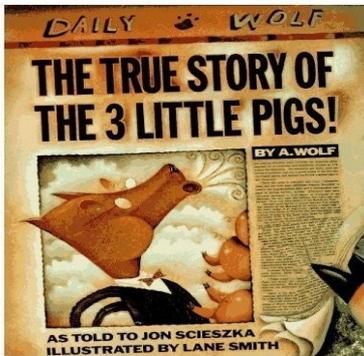
Pre-School are excited to be exploring the theme of 'spells and potions' this half term. We will be using all of our senses to engage in lots of exploration and imaginative play.

Alongside our pattern and number work, we will be comparing quantities in maths, looking at more and less. In Literacy, we will be continuing our phonics as well as learning new vocabulary as we share lots of stories. In RE, we will be looking at how we understand and care for our beautiful world.

This half term Reception are learning about castles. They are going to be listening to lots of stories that are set in castles. They are looking forward to going to visit Skipton Castle too!

In Maths, Reception are learning about 3-D shapes, such as their names, spotting 2-D shapes within 3-D shapes and spotting different 3-D shapes in the environment. Reception will also be practising recognising numbers to 20 and making numbers to 20. We are also continuing to practise our number formation to number 10.

In our 'understanding the world' we will be observing, describing and drawing different minibeasts. We will be going on lots of minibeast hunts!



Year 1 are studying Castles, Kings and Queens in their History topic this term and are excited to visit Skipton Castle with Reception to find out more about people who lived there and what life was like back then.

In Maths, we are learning to multiply and divide and counting in 2, 5 and 10s. In Science and DT, we are applying our knowledge of materials and their properties to create a strong house to protect the Three Little Pigs.

Next week, we are welcoming Mrs Hebblewhite into our classroom as our new teacher and looking forward to impressing her with our wonderful reading, writing and maths.

This half term, Year 2 will be learning about the Industrial Revolution and how it impacted Halifax. We will explore the history of The Piece Hall and Dean Clough and talk about the impact the Crossley family had on the town. In Art, we are learning about the painter Wassily Kandinsky and we will recreate one of his famous paintings. In PE, we will develop our athletic skills.



This week's Year 3 newsletter item has been written by Cainan and Erin all about the upcoming term:

We are really looking forward to learning some new topics this term. We have started reading a story called "Escape from Pompeii" which links to our 'Extreme Earth' Geography topic. We think a volcano might erupt in the story and we are going to write about the destruction left behind. We are also looking forward to finding out about other extreme things like tsunamis and earthquakes. In Science, we will be looking at rocks. We would like to know more about animal fossils and how they were made. Most of all, we can't wait to go on our trip to Magna to learn all about the four elements!



Year 4 were very excited for their school trip to Leeds City Museum this week. They have taken part in a workshop learning about the Romans which will continue to be our History topic throughout this half term. We will be also be looking at the story of Romulus and Remus in English, creating both character and setting descriptions based off this tale. Also, linking to the theme of The Romans, we will be looking at creating mosaic pieces of work in art. This is the last half term before the multiplication check so

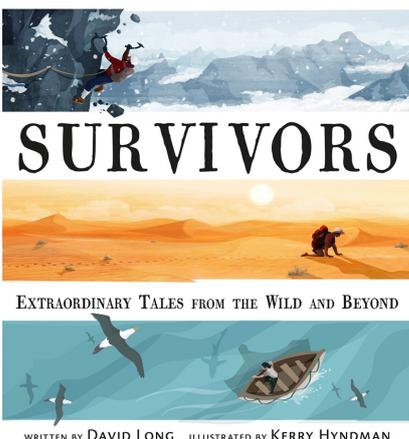


we will working hard to ensure the children are as confident as possible in their times tables. We will also be looking at time and money during maths lessons.



Year 5 began the half term with bikeability training, where many of our pupils showed confidence in their bike riding skills and learnt about riding safely on local roads. This half term we will be learning about the physical and human features of Brazil, and in our English we will be linking with our Geography topic, but focusing in particular on the rainforest and the damage done through logging and deforestation.

Our Science work will explore the life process of reproduction in animals and plants, and learn about some of the different stages in life cycles. We will be looking at the clay sculptures of Linda Lopez in our art lessons, and having a go at creating our own clay sculptures. In our RE lessons this half term, we will be finding out about the Hindu faith and beliefs. In Maths we will be learning to draw and interpret line graphs and two-way tables. We will also learn how to read and calculate angles using degrees.



For the Summer 1 term, Year 6 will be continuing to develop their independence when trying to write creatively. Our topic 'Survivors' will allow pupils the opportunity to create their own survival narrative that allows them to access and use all the grammar elements we have learnt so far this year. We will be learning how to create 3D models in computing using an app called TinkerCad, as well as learning how physical and human geography can affect our landscapes and coastal regions. Our DT topic this term is 'cooking and nutrition', and we will be producing a cultural meal and learning how to prepare food safely.

