Maths

This half term we will be expanding our knowledge of place value. Year 1s will be working within 20 and Year 2s will be working with numbers up to 100. We will be using this knowledge to add and subtract. We will finally be exploring measuring length and height.

Numbots is a great way to keep the children practicing their number knowledge and www.topmarks.com 'Hit the Button' has some really fun multiplication beat the clock games that will really help the children become fluent in their number facts so have a look at home, every little helps!

PE

PE will be taught by a Premier Sports Coach on a Tuesday afternoon and a Thursday. The children are to come in wearing their PE kits on these days.

RE and PSHE/RSE

This half term we will be exploring the question, 'How do some Muslims show Allah is compassionate and merciful?

We will be learning about the Christian Value of Respect and why it is important.

PSHE will be taught by Mrs Grimmer and they will begin exploring 'Dreams and Goals.'

Holly Class - Year 1&2

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Music

Music will be taught to Holly Class on a Thursday and Mrs Fuller has lots of exciting and practical musicals activities planned around 'On this Island – British songs and sounds.'

English

This half term we will be using 'The Girl and the Dinosaur' by Hollie Hughes to explore narratives. We'll have fun with Roald Dahl's Revolting Rhymes to expand our vocabulary and enjoy poetry. Lastly, we will use the book 'How to catch a Dinosaur' by Adam Wallace to help us write our very own instructions on the dangerous art of dinosaur catching!

If the children have any fiction or non-fiction books based at home related to our topic of Dinosaurs, then please do bring them in to share to help us encourage a love of reading.

Dinosaur Planet

A part of our topic this half term we will be looking at Living Things and their Habitats in Science and how the dinosaurs lived on the land. We will also explore fossils...what exactly are they and how are they made?

Computing will involve programming and using BeeBots to learn simple coding. For History we will be learning all about significant people and what it means to be a significant person. We will learn about the life of Mary Anning, a famous fossil hunter! In DT we will be making moving pictures using slider, levers, pivots and wheel mechanisms.

Please do share anything at home related to our topic! Books, photos or some amazing facts discovered through home learning.

Reading

We really appreciate all the support that you give the children by reading with them at home and know you are working hard with the children to learn their spellings. This half term we are focusing on the children's comprehension skills, so questioning them about what has happened in the books they are reading or asking them about why they think the author chose to use certain words or events will help support their general understanding of the texts they are reading.