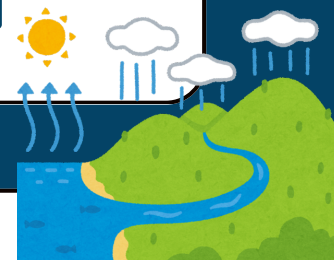




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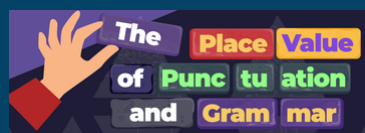
Reading

Each day, our reading sessions focus on developing children's fluency, deepening their understanding of texts, and strengthening their ability to answer questions about what they have read. This half term, our reading materials will include a range of fiction and non-fiction texts linked to our main topic on rivers and also our science topic about living things and their habitats.

To end each day, we enjoy sharing a carefully chosen class story.

Our Main Topic

This half term our main topic is a geography topic on rivers. We will look at the important role of rivers in the water cycle and how rivers form. The children will then focus on our local rivers, and will use maps and satellite images to identify the characteristics of a river's upper course, middle course, lower course and river mouth. The final stages of this topic will, weather permitting, see the children undertaking some fieldwork linked to our local area: creating profiles of streambeds and measuring the speed of flow. Back in class the children will analyse and present the field data they have collected.



English

This half term, Lundy class will focus on revisiting and strengthening all the key elements that contribute to a well-written sentence. Pupils will practise using capital letters, full stops and more complex punctuation with increasing accuracy. They will be encouraged to edit their work carefully to improve the quality, clarity, and meaning of their writing, building confidence in both constructing and improving their sentences.

These core skills will then be applied across a range of creative and independent writing opportunities throughout the rest of the term.

Maths

In our daily maths lessons, we will be working with numbers up to 1000000! The children will be investigating place value and partitioning these larger numbers. After place value, the class will move on to addition and subtraction, building on their knowledge of written methods and solving increasingly complex problems. The final unit of the half term will focus on multiplication and division. The children will investigate squared and cubed numbers. They will also look at multiplying and dividing numbers by 1000. Throughout the term we will also keep a focus on timestables facts as they underpin so much of our maths work.



PE Days

Children will take part in two PE sessions each week.

**PE will be on
Tuesdays and Thursdays.**

Children can wear their PE kits to school on these days.



Homework

Please read with your child every day for 10-15 minutes. Reading together helps develop fluency, comprehension, vocabulary and a love of books. Discussing the story, making predictions and asking questions about what they have read can further deepen understanding. Daily practise of times tables is also essential. Please allow tables practise on Times Table Rock Stars, with weekly certificates awarded to the highest scorer, chanting tables or use flashcards, which can be provided by school.



If you have any questions, concerns or information about your child to share, please feel free to pop in for a chat—we are always happy to help. Thank you for your continued support.

Mr Gill and Mrs Hewitt