

Learning Launchpad: Spring 1 2024

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Happy New Year! We hope you had a lovely Christmas break, enjoyed the festivities with your families and had a well-earned rest! We are really looking forward to starting the new year as we mean to go on. We have our multiplication check in the Summer term so we want the children

to feel confident ahead of that so we will be doing lots of work on times tables! This term also brings our children's first residential trip to Nell Bank in Ilkley. We are so excited for this and will share more information at our parent's information evening in January.

English: In English we will be using the text 'Cloud Busting' by Malorie Blackman. This is a text written as different forms of poems and exploring themes of bullying. We will use this to think about the characters in the story, looking in detail at how their personalities change throughout the book. We will then write to provoke an emotional response, creating a diary entry from the perspective of one of the characters, about a key event in the book.

Maths: We will be continuing our work on multiplication and division, before moving on to the units of measurement and fractions. We will be working on recognising and representing families of common equivalent fractions and adding and subtracting fractions with the same

Computing: Programming - Repetition in shapes

DT: Electrical Systems: torches

Geography: Why are rainforests important to us?

MFL: Family tree and faces

Music: Changes in pitch, tempo and dynamics

PE: OAA

PSHCE: What strengths, skills and interests do we have?

RE: How do the 5 pillars guide Muslims?

Science: Electricity

Key Dates

School opens - 8th January

Nell Bank information evening - 24th January

Art Showcase - 31st January

Children's Mental Health week - 5th February

Safer Internet Day - 6th February

IEP review evening - 6th February

Break up for holidays - 9th February

Reminders

This half term PE is on a Monday and a Wednesday

Your child needs to come in their PE kit on those days. We will try and do PE outside as much as possible so please send your child in appropriate clothing like a tracksuit.

As children are now bringing in their own packed lunches to school, please can we remind you that we are a nut free school.

Homework: sent home every FRIDAY to be returned the following FRIDAY.

Reading books: sent home every second THURSDAY and to be returned the following THURSDAY.