


During this term, our topic is:

Who was Grace Darling?

Below are the areas that we are covering within the theme.

Curriculum Area	Areas to be taught in school	Possible activities to be done at home
English	<p>As part of our English work this half term we will be looking at and reading 'The Way Back Home', 'Chicken Licken' and 'The Squirrels who Squabbled'.</p> <p>The children will be writing in various different forms over this half term. We are looking forward to the children continuing to develop their independent writing skills this half term and producing some more brilliant pieces of writing.</p> <p>Alongside this we will also be continuing our daily phonics lessons, with phonics screening tests being taken over the term.</p>	<p>Continue to read at home with your child. The children are doing so well so please keep supporting them!</p> <p>Reading small chunks often is a great way to keep up interest in a book and increase a child's confidence.</p>
Maths	<p>This half term we will be improving our knowledge of numbers as words and addition and subtraction. We will also continue to look at fractions and introduce the children to volume and capacity when measuring, as well as starting to learn to tell the time.</p> <p>The children will continue to do fortnightly arithmetic quizzes in class.</p>	<p>Your child should keep counting things they can see around them and reading house numbers, bus numbers and other numbers they may see in everyday life.</p> <p>If you have a clock or watch at home, ask the children questions about time and when they are drinking, ask the children how much liquid is in their bottle or can.</p>
Science	<p>In Science this half term, we will be focusing on Spring and Summer. The children will look at and discuss what happened in Spring and identify what the weather is like in Summer and how and why we keep ourselves safe in Summer. The children will then learn about Benjamin Green and Franz Greiter.</p>	<p>Children could identify the activities you may do as a family in Winter and how they may change in Summer. Where do you go? Which clothes do you wear?</p>
Computing	<p>For this unit, we will be using Pages on the iPads. The children will be exploring how to use the app and adding images and text to a Pages document.</p>	<p>Explore the use of Pages at home if you have an iPad.</p>
Religious Education	<p>This half term we will be focussing on Christianity. Children will be learning about what Christians believe about how the world was created. Children will also explore how Christians show thanks to god for creating the world, they say thank you prayers and grace before meals.</p>	<p>Encourage conversations at home about the subject. Share your own views and discuss the importance of respecting the beliefs of others.</p>


Physical Education	The children will be learning more about different games and different styles of jumping. The children will develop their teamwork skills as well as applying the skills learnt during the year so far to play at the highest levels possible during different games.	Please ensure your child has their PE kit in school every day. This should be black shorts/ jogging bottoms and a plain white T-shirt. Appropriate footwear is also required. 
History	<p>This half term, the children will be learning about Grace Darling and why we remember her. The children will be able to answer the following research questions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Who was Grace Darling and where did she live? • What did Grace Darling do and why has this made her famous? • What was Grace Darling's everyday life like? • Why were so many boats and ships shipwrecked back then? • How do the RNLI celebrate her life and achievements? 	<p>Children could create their own lighthouse out of recycling materials and bring it into school to show the class.</p> <p>Children could research more information about Grace Darling and the RNLI to share in class.</p>
Art	During this half term the children will be focusing on sketching, with our key artist being Gustav Klimt. Our inspiration picture will allow the children to really focus on portraits and generally grasping the idea of the outline and correct placement and size of facial features.	Encourage your child to sketch pictures at home, focussing on the accurate sizing of specific features. Why not look up some of Gustav Klimt's work and try recreating one at home?
PSHE	<p>This half term children will continue work linked to Health and Wellbeing and then the children will move onto Citizenship and Finances. They will consider the following questions:</p> <p>How do I keep my teeth clean? What can we do to help our school community? What can we do to be a good neighbour? What do we need money for? What do we want and what do we need? How can we keep our money safe?</p>	Please discuss these questions with your child at home. What is the community like that you live in? What do you use money for at home?
Music	The children will be focussing on the song 'Your Imagination'. The children will be working in small groups to use their imagination and create their own performance for this song using instruments.	Children can listen to the song and create their own routine using instruments, clapping or tapping at home.

During this term, our topic is:

What are the differences between a town and the countryside?

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English	<p>As part of our English work this half term we will be looking at and reading 'The Tiger Child', 'Rumble in the Jungle' and 'Rapunzel'. The children will be writing in various different forms over this half term such as a recount, fact file and writing instructions. We are looking forward to the children continuing to develop their independent writing skills this half term and produce some more brilliant pieces of writing.</p> <p>Alongside this we will also be continuing our daily phonics lessons in preparation for the Phonics Screening Check.</p>	<p>Continue to read at home with your child. The children are doing so well so please keep supporting them!</p> <p>Reading small chunks often is a great way to keep up interest in a book and increase a child's confidence.</p>
Maths	<p>This half term the children will be improving their ability to work out missing number problems, interpret data, use money and become fluent in number facts to 20.</p> <p>They will also be continuing fortnightly arithmetic quizzes in class to get them ready for Year Two.</p>	<p>Your child should keep counting things they can see around them and reading house numbers, bus numbers and other numbers they may see in everyday life.</p> <p>If you have a clock or watch at home, ask the children questions about time and when they are drinking, ask the children how much liquid is in their bottle or can and also, how much things are in shops and which coin or note would be best to use to pay for it.</p>
Science	<p>This half term our Science will be focusing on working scientifically. The children will conduct different experiments and use questioning, observation and data gathering to develop their working scientifically skills.</p>	<p>Have a look on the Marvin and Milo activities on https://spark.iop.org/sites/default/files/media/documents/marvin_and_milo_-_combined_collection.pdf and have a go at one of the experiments. Take a photo or video and send it in.</p>

Computing	For this unit, we will be using iMovie on the iPads. The children will be exploring how to use the app, recording, adding and editing clips. We will explore transitions between clips.	Explore iMovie if you have an iPad at home.
Religious Education	How should we care for the world and for others, and why does it matter? We will discuss different ways we can care for the world around us, such as litter picking or growing plants and how this can make a difference.	Encourage conversations at home about the subject. Share your own views and discuss the importance of respecting the beliefs of others.
Physical Education	This half term we will be participating in athletics, using our skills to run, jump, skip and hop whilst practising for Sports Day.	Please ensure your child has their PE kit in school every day. This should be black shorts/ jogging bottoms and a plain white T-shirt. Appropriate footwear is also required. 
Geography	Our topic this half term is 'What are the differences between a town and the countryside?'. The children will be learning about what the countryside is and where it is, the physical and human features of both a town and the countryside, as well as looking at a town and the countryside on a map. The children will also be doing some 'fantastic fieldwork' where they will carry out investigations in the school grounds.	Discuss the features of a town and countryside when you are out and about with the children. What do they notice? How are they different?
DT	This half term we will be experimenting with freestanding structures, testing the best materials and techniques to make them. We will design, experiment and evaluate the processes we have used.	Talk about different structures and buildings you can see.
PSHE	This half term children will grow their success in the wider world. They will discuss their future aspirations and think about their star qualities.	Talk about things that make your child special and things we can do if we find things difficult.
Music	The children will be focussing on the song 'Reflect, Rewind and Replay'. The children will be working in small groups to use their imagination and create their own performance for this song using instruments.	Children can listen to the song and create their own routine using instruments, clapping or tapping at home.