



EARTH AND SPACE



**AUTUMN TERM 2
YEAR 5**



GEOGRAPHY

This term our geography topic is 'Africa'
We will be looking at the following aspects:



- ⇒ Countries in Africa
- ⇒ Climate
- ⇒ Geographical features
- ⇒ Capital cities
- ⇒ Comparing a region in Africa to a region in the UK

LITERACY

This half term, our focus will be persuasive writing, stories with suspense and poetry. We will be exploring these different text types and focusing on the use of description and using organisational devices. As well as this, we will develop our proof-reading skills in relation to punctuation and grammar. In Reading, we will be reading new texts which will allow us to compare and contrast different styles of writing.

NUMERACY

This half term we will be concentrating on the following aspects of maths:

- ⇒ Division
- ⇒ Naming and measuring angles
- ⇒ Identifying, comparing, ordering and simplifying fractions
- ⇒ Data handling and statistics

ART

Our focus in art this term is aboriginal art. We will be using the history of the Native Australians as inspiration and will use a range of media to create aboriginal art.



MUSIC

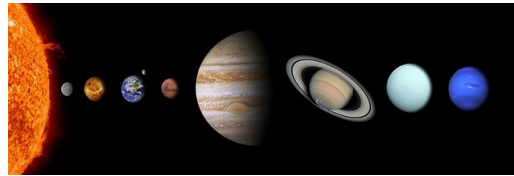


This term the children will be building on their knowledge of singing through practicing a range of singing styles and songs

SCIENCE

The children will be investigating Earth and space. They will learn about:

- ◇ Sizes of solar bodies
- ◇ Rotation of the Earth
- ◇ Creation of the seasons
- ◇ The moon
- ◇ The sun and stars



HISTORY

The children will be exploring significant historical events in British history.

DESIGN TECHNOLOGY

Children will be designing, building and testing an all terrain space buggy.



COMPUTING

Children will be:

- Researching facts about the Solar system
- Creating a documentary on the moon landing
- Using programming software to improve their moon buggies

RE

We will continue to explore the story of Moses and look in depth at Jewish beliefs and customs



PHYSICAL EDUCATION

Dance

This term we will be focusing on dancing to convey emotions or actions. We will be composing, developing and performing a wide variety of dances.

PE KIT IS REQUIRED EVERY TUESDAY AND WEDNESDAY. (PLAIN WHITE T-SHIRT, PLAIN DARK SHORTS AND TRAINERS OR PLIMSOLLS)



HOMEWORK

Homework will be given out on Friday to be returned on Monday or Tuesday. It generally takes the form of Literacy, Numeracy or Topic work

SPELLING

Spellings will be given out on Monday to be learned for the following Monday. Please could you encourage your child to learn these spellings?

READING

Please could you make an effort to hear your child read as frequently as possible as it will greatly benefit your child's progress.

If you have any queries or problems please don't hesitate to come and see me. I am available most days after school.

Your sincerely
Mr Mander

