


<p>English</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> In Term 2, we will continue making links between our wider learning and our writing. We will be writing an explanation text that draws on our geography learning about rivers. The children will be identifying features of explanation texts and then practising using grammar and punctuation, found within these text types, at a sentence level. Our class novel is <i>The Explorer</i> by Katherine Rundell but we will also be using non-fiction books to explore explanation texts. Towards the end of the term, the children will compose an additional piece of independent writing based on a Christmas theme. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Guided reading will largely be done as a class and children will focus on developing reading skills as well as book talk. Vocabulary, spelling, punctuation, and grammar is taught daily through our reading and writing and extended practise as well as through on-line apps including Doodle Spelling and Doodle English. <p>The Red Kites will be reading every day so need to remember their school reading book and Reading Record.</p> <p>The children are old enough to read independently at home however we encourage all parents to listen to their children reading at least once a week and support the children to record in reading records.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Red Kites</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>Don't forget to keep an eye on upcoming events as the Red Kites have a jam-packed term ahead with RE, Art and DT experience days and our Kilvrough information evening (7th November 6pm)</i></p>  <p>Remember: our class webpage has photographs and updates on our learning</p>	
<p>Maths</p> <p>The Red Kites made great progress in understanding Number and Place Value in Term One and so will be building on this firm foundation as they apply this knowledge to arithmetic.</p> <p>The initial area of focus for this term is Addition & Subtraction. In Year 5 the children use column methods for arithmetic. However, later this term we will be exploring aspects of multiplication and division such as factors, multiples, prime, square and cubed numbers as well as multiplying and dividing by factors of 10.</p> <p>The Red Kites will start each day with arithmetic practise and will have daily 'short maths' sessions that focuses on number fact skills.</p> <p><i>Please support your child's learning at home by practising times tables and ensuring the use of Doodle Maths for 10 minutes every day</i></p>	<p>Geography</p> <p>This term, our humanities focus will be geography. We will be finishing our learning about rivers and starting a new topic about migration.</p> <p>Each lesson is based on an enquiry question to encourage thinking and discussion.</p> <p>We will investigate types of migration and consider the impact migration has on people and places. We will compare economic migration with the plight of refugees and finally explore how climate change may impact on migration in the future.</p>		
<p>PSHCE</p> <p>This term our PSHCE focus is 'One World' where we will be exploring citizenship.</p>	<p>PE</p> <p>The children will have two PE lessons a week (handball and gymnastics) on Thursday and Friday</p>	<p>Science</p> <p>In Term Two, our science focus is Earth and Space</p> <p>The Red Kites will study solar and luna eclipses and the solar system including the differences between asteroids, meteors, and meteorites. They will investigate how planets in the solar system differ and what star constellations are as well as the job of an astronaut and what is the universe is.</p> <p>All Science lessons are based on enquiry questions and develop scientific working skills alongside the development of knowledge.</p>	
<p>RE</p> <p>The Red Kites will investigate the enquiry question: <i>Has the meaning of Christmas Changed?</i> This will be in the form of a two-day workshop</p>	<p>We will be running the Daily Mile or taking part in another fitness activity every day</p> <p>All children need shorts for Gymnastics this term</p>	<p>Art and DT</p> <p>The Red Kites will be exploring monotype printing and collage layering: developing ideas and practising techniques and media before using our new skills to create Christmas cards.</p>	<p>Music</p> <p>In music the Red Kites will develop song writing skills and learn song for the festive season.</p>
		<p>The children will be designing and making a felt star decoration building up sewing techniques in their DT lessons.</p>	<p>Computing</p> <p>This term we will be exploring computing skills using the fabulous coding platform Code.org</p>