

**English** The children will write in a variety of genres linked to our class reader 'Room 13' by Robert Swindell and our studies about Ancient Egypt. The genres studied will include suspense, historical narrative, newspaper reports, classical poetry, and biography.

**Science** In the first half term we will find out about electricity, from creating and using circuits to learning how electricity is produced. Following this, we will explore forces and magnetism. Pupils will learn to plan and carry out fair investigations to answer key questions.

**French** Lessons will be delivered by Madame Thomas, a specialist from Caedmon College, Whitby. Areas covered this term will be:  
  
my body, actions, colours, clothing and uniforms.

**Religious Education** As part of our four-year rolling programme, the question we will be focusing on this term is:

What does it mean to be a Christian in Britain today?

**Spelling:** Lists will be shared on a Monday for a test on Friday.

**Reading:** Please continue to hear your child read (and read to them) at home whenever possible.

**Mental Arithmetic:** Pupils will be able to access Times Table Rockstars and Hit the Button in school and at home.

**Geography** This term we will deepen our understanding of where we are in the world. We will consider our location in England, the United Kingdom and Europe. We will use practical activities to develop map reading skills and apply this knowledge to plan a long-distance journey, starting in Whitby.

**Maths** This term we will be covering place value, addition and subtraction, multiplication and division and fractions. There will also be a strong focus on learning and applying times tables.

**Design and Technology** We will be applying our science learning to design, make and evaluate a moving vehicle that includes an electrical circuit.

**History** We will study the Ancient Egyptians by considering evidence about their daily life, notable events, important buildings and famous people. Enquiry-based study and practical activities will give pupils a chance to lead and extend their own learning.

**Music** We will use Music Express to explore pitch, notation and the structure of pieces of music. We will listen to works from great composers and evaluate them before creating our own compositions using a range of instruments.

**Computing** Using their iPads, pupils will follow the Apple Curriculum, which provides age-appropriate and progressive coverage of coding and internet safety, plus opportunities for creativity in music, drawing, photography and film.

**Personal and Social Education** We will look at Physical health and fitness; Mental Well-being; Healthy Eating; and Health and Prevention.

**Art** We will look at the techniques and works of great 'Impressionists' such as Monet, Manet and Morisot, before using them as inspiration for our own creations.

**Castleton**

**KS2 Oak Class**

**Autumn Term**

**2021**

**PE** We will play small-sided invasion games such as netball and tag rugby to develop team play and individual ball skills. We will use the outside space at school or on the cricket field whenever possible but have access to the village hall when required. Next half term we will explore dance and movement with our visiting dance teacher.