In **English**, we will be looking at the book



'Sky Pirates' by Alex English. This book will be our focus for guided reading sessions as well as the basis for our writing. We will make predictions about what we think will happen, identify and clarify the meaning of unknown words and use our

inference skills to answer questions. We will be writing character and setting descriptions before writing our own alternative ending.

In **Maths** this half term, we will be continuing to work on all four operations by practising ways to work out questions in our head and using written strategies. We will continue to practise our times tables weekly and complete problem solving activities. We also be comparing length and height and measuring capacity and weight.





In **Geography** we will be using geographical vocabulary to refer to key physical features of a coastal scene including beach, cliff, coast, forest, hill, mountain, sea, ocean, river, soil, valley and vegetation to describe the things a pirate might use on their maps. We will be designing our own map symbols to create a treasure map. We will also be using directional language to direct each other around a map.



In **History**, we will study famous pirates such as Blackbeard, Anne Bonny, Mary Read and famous local pirate, Harry Paye. We will compare them, discover what it would be like to be a pirate and learn about why they are famous.



In **DT** we will be designing and making our own pirate flag. We will be making our own template and sewing this onto our flag.



In **Music**, we are going to be looking at sea shanties and where they originated from. We will listen to different sea shanties and use our bodies and percussion instruments to keep the pulse and rhythm. We will then create our own class sea shanty.



In **Jigsaw**, our learning this half term is called 'Changing Me'. We will be discussing changes that happen in our lives with a focus on how our body changes can change as we grow older.



In **PE** this half term we will be practising our athletics skills ready for sports day and developing our striking and fielding skills. It is really important that your child has a PE kit in school every day to ensure they dressed appropriately for sport.



In **RE** this term we will concluding our learning about Islam and their key beliefs. We will also be reading some stories from the Bible and reflecting on the moral of these stories.



In **Art**, we will be looking at different pirate flag designs, their colours and symbols and then creating our own. We will also be looking closely at pictures of Blackbeard having a go at sketching him.



Helping at Home

Reading is an extremely important part of your child's development. Please continue to read each day with your child and sign or comment in the yellow reading records. <u>Your child is responsible</u> for changing their book every Monday and Thurs-<u>day</u> or when required. This is monitored by the Year 2 team. When reading, encourage your child to sound out unknown words and ensure that what they are reading makes sense to them by asking questions about what is happening .To extend their reading skills, ask questions about their opinions and think about things that are not explicitly written but on the basis of what has been said or done.

You can support your child's **maths** learning by continuing to practise mental calculations such as addition and subtraction facts and the multiplication and division of the 2, 3, 5 and 10 times tables. Give you child some simple problems to solve such as calculations in a variety of contexts.

When your child is writing at home, please encourage your child to use the red **spelling** words sent home.

Further challenges include:

- Practising adding suffixes: -ed -ing -est -ment -ness -ful -ly to words
- Practising using contracted forms (e.g. cannot = can't)
- Possessive apostrophe (Mrs Harmon's pencil case).

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Dates

Friday 17th June– School Disco Friday 24th June– Summer Fair Wednesday 29th June– Sports Day Friday 1st July– Transfer Day Tuesday 5th July– Reserve Sports Day Wednesday 6th July– Parent Share 2:30pm Friday 8th July– School Trip to Durlston

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