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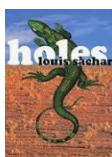
## **Term Ahead: August-October Primary 7**

Dear Parent/Carer,

It has been lovely welcoming the Primary 7s back to school after the holidays. They have been enthusiastic in their approach to their learning, and we are exciting for the term ahead.

### **Literacy and English**

This term, our learning will be centred around our class novel *Holes* by Louis Sachar. We will use the text to develop our comprehension strategies, summarising and predicting.



We will also be making cross-curricular links with our topic A Journey Across the World, using it as inspiration for reading, research, and presenting information in different formats. Spelling will focus on patterns, prefixes and suffixes, while pupils will continue to develop their vocabulary and fluency through daily reading.

Writing activities will also link to the novel and to our topic, with opportunities for pupils to practise imaginative, persuasive and informative writing.

### **Learning Across the Curriculum**



Our interdisciplinary learning will explore the theme *A Journey Across the World*. Pupils will investigate global cultures through topics such as food, music, art, religion and festivals. This will provide opportunities for creative and collaborative projects across a range of curricular areas.

In Health and Wellbeing - RSHP, our focus will be on personal hygiene, safety online and developing healthy habits.

We will also visit our P3 buddies fortnightly, for hands-on STEM activities, building teamwork and problem-solving.

We will continue to build on our digital skills with a focus on saving files in a variety of formats and evidence our learning using creative apps.

### **Numeracy and Mathematics**

In term 1, we will be spending the first few weeks revising place value, comparing and ordering numbers to 1,000,000, rounding, negative numbers and adding/subtracting using the column method.

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New learning will involve multistep addition and subtraction problems, multiplying and dividing up to 4-digit numbers by a 2-digit number using formal methods, order of operations, mental calculations and estimation.

We will also be focussing on developing measuring skills. Pupils will learn to estimate and measure length, capacity and mass using metric measurements.

### **Admin**

**P.E:** Will take place on Mondays with the PE specialist Mr Murray. P7B will be having PE in the morning, while P7A in the afternoon.



**Homework:** In line with the school homework policy, there will be no assigned weekly homework. We will however provide an optional home learning wall. These will focus on life skills and further support the learning that is taking place in class.

**Outdoor Learning:** We will have weekly outdoor learning sessions every Thursday afternoon. Please ensure your child comes to school prepared for outdoor learning in all weathers.

**Padlet QR code :** We will update our school's Padlet fortnightly so you can keep up with what we've been learning,

If you have any queries or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Yours sincerely,

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