



# To the rescue!



Welcome back to our final half term in year 1!

This half term is traditionally a busy one! Whilst we still do not have the range of activities we would normally this time of year, such as Lafrowda, I know that Longships are really looking forward to the reintroduction of Sports Day! I am sure plenty of other exciting things will be happening over the course of the half term, so please be sure to keep an eye out for dates and important information on the newsletter and school website.

Our final topic for the year will be "To the rescue!" Please see below for more details.

## Literacy:

In literacy, pupils will continue to have daily phonic sessions at the start of every day and consolidate their literacy skills in their busy books on a Monday with Miss Steele. This is a great opportunity for the children to show what they can do independently and work on writing stamina.

Linked to our topic we will also be learning poems and rhymes about the sea, before writing our own. We will also be completing work based on our whole class reader, *The Lighthouse Keepers Lunch*.

## Numeracy:

In numeracy we will be looking at fractions and place value to 100. As well as consolidating number bonds in our morning settling activity and focusing on time with Miss Steele on a Monday.

## Art:

In this unit we will be looking at work by Andy Plant and stormy sea paintings by different artists.

## History:

This half term our learning will have a history focus, in which we will be learning about Grace Darling and looking at the differences between "then" and "now". We will then be moving on to learn about Henry Trengrouse.

## RE:

In RE we will be bringing all of our learning about different faiths and beliefs together, and thinking about the question, *How should we care for the world and others and why does it matter?*

## Computing:

In computing we will be using Purple Mash to create animated stories. So far, the children have really enjoyed using this programme and have learnt some impressive computing skills!

As the weather (hopefully!) gets nicer, we appreciate that you will all want to make the most of it, and that this time of year is busy outside of school as well as in, but please could we ask that you continue to make sure your child reads. We have been so impressed with the reading progress already and this final term is when it all comes together! ☺

Thank you for your continued support.

If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to speak to any of the year 1 adults.

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