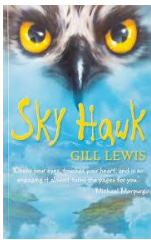
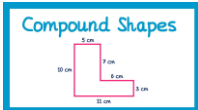




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Topic: Journey to Africa

<p>Welcome to Spring 1 term. We hope that you have enjoyed your Christmas break. This term, we have many learning opportunities for your children to ensure that they are engaged and make good progress throughout the curriculum. This includes discovering more about a range of locations in the world, beginning to design gliders and a forest school visit to Waddesdon Manor. If there is anything that you wish to discuss please feel free to contact Mrs Morris or Mrs Swanson.</p>	<p>Weekly schedule</p> <p>Monday: Mrs Swanson teaching PE Hand in homework & reading records</p> <p>Tuesday: Mrs Swanson teaching</p> <p>Wednesday: Mrs Swanson teaching am Mrs Jones and Exposure PE pm</p> <p>Thursday: Mrs Morris teaching Times Tables test Homework given out</p> <p>Friday: Mrs Morris teaching</p>
<p>English</p>  <p>Our class novel is 'Sky Hawk' by Gill Lewis. During this module of work, pupils will be sentence stacking and working towards writing a newspaper report. We will continue to have whole class reading sessions based on a variety of different genres. Children will focus on key skills such as: making reasonable predictions; using their skimming and scanning skills to identify information in the text and finding appropriate evidence in order to justify their point of view. Through the 'Spelling Book' scheme and discrete lessons pupils will continue to work on their spelling, punctuation and grammar skills.</p>	<p>Mathematics</p> <p>Children will be building on their previous learning from year 4, as well as learning a range of new mathematical skills. These include: finding the area of a range of shapes, including compound shapes; solving multiplication problems involving scaling and starting to calculate with decimals. Throughout these conceptual areas, pupils will have the opportunity to practice their problem solving and reasoning skills, in familiar and unfamiliar contexts. To support to this, pupils will take part in daily 'Mastering Number' sessions which are designed to focus on their fluency</p> 
<p>Science – Forces</p> <p>Class 5 will be turning into investigatory scientists this half term as our science lessons will be very experimental and hands-on. We will be undergoing practical investigations on forces such as gravity, friction, air resistance and water resistance. Pupils will be independently conducting these investigations, recording results, analysing findings, writing summaries and presenting data in varying statistical graphs.</p>	<p>Computing</p> <p>Health and well-being will be the focus of this term's online safety sessions. Developing efficient and effective internet research skills will support the geography lessons.</p> <p>Geography</p> <p>Pupils will be studying a variety of countries and continents that an osprey visits during its migration to Africa. They will learn how to read a variety of maps and compare key human, physical and topographical features.</p>



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<p>PE Dance: During Monday PE lessons, led by the class teacher, children will explore Bollywood and Line dancing. Football: During Wednesday PE lessons, led by an Exposure Sports coach, the children will be developing their football skills.</p>	<p>Music Children will be studying African music which links to our core text and dance in PE. During this unit, pupils will listen and appraise a variety of songs; use percussion instruments and drums for improvisation and start to compose their own African inspired music.</p>										
<p>DT During Design Technology, pupils will be designing, making prototypes and testing their own gliders.</p>	<p>RE Sikhism beliefs and moral values will be explored in RE.</p>										
<p>PSHE Pupils will consider a range of relationships and how these offer support. The features of friendships, and conflicts within these, will also be discussed. The fire service will visit school to build awareness of fire safety.</p>	<p>MFL Pupils will continue to study with the Rigalo scheme. They will be learning how to order food items in a restaurant; express opinions about different foods and be able to explain if food is healthy or unhealthy.</p>										
<p>How you can support your child at home?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Show them how you read for pleasure and discuss how reading helps you each day. • Use the activity passport in the back of your child's reading log for activity ideas. • Encourage children to present their homework neatly and to use legible, joined handwriting. • Pupils knowledge of times tables and number bonds are vital for pupils to be able to be successful in mathematics. If your child struggles with these, encourage them to continue to practice through Times Table Rock Stars and Numbots several times each week. • To further enrich your child's learning and to link with our themes, you may wish to research other countries together or talk to friends and families who have visited places your children have not. You may also want to explore forces such as friction and air resistance at home. 											
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