

Creative Curriculum We begin our learning journey dramatising a metal forest and end with robot artwork incorporating an electrical circuit! Our science topic, Electricity, will be at the centre of our learning. The children will learn how to build a series circuit including bulbs and motors, and will investigate electrical conductors and insulators. Much of our learning this half term will be linked to our topic.

English This half term we will use Helen Ward's 'The Tin Forest' and Vashti Hardy's 'Harley Hitch and the Iron Forest' to stimulate our poetry and Imaginary Worlds narrative writing. We will also write explanations linked to our Electricity science work. There will be a dedicated grammar and spelling lesson each week as well as daily reading activities.

Maths We begin with problem solving using addition and subtraction, before exploring length and perimeter. Our main focus this half term is mental multiplication and division, including time tables to 12×12 . We will, as ever, consolidate key skills before applying them in problem solving and reasoning tasks.

Please can we ask for your support in practising times tables at home, as little and often is the key to the children becoming fluent with multiplication and division facts.



Into the Metal Forest

Important dates

Parent Teacher meetings—w.c. 8th November

Road Safety Week—w.c. 22nd November

Christmas party—w.c. 20th December

Home learning Your ongoing support is greatly appreciated. The children should again aim to complete six tasks from the homework grid this half term, including at least one Maths and one English task.

Spelling tests will continue on Mondays.

Please continue to encourage your child to read on at least four separate days each week, either independently or with an adult. The reading can be recorded by the child, with an adult signing once a week.

PE Indoor - Mondays. Outdoor games—Wednesdays. Please make sure your child has the correct kit on these days, and trainers every day for other outdoor activities.

Art & Design Technology

We will experiment with tone and colour using drawing and painting techniques. Our final piece will combine an Eric Joyner inspired artwork with an electrical circuit.

Music We will learn to listen respectfully to different music. We will play and perform in solo and ensemble contexts using our voices.

Computing Our main focus this half term is Coding, to create our own simple game. We will use Purple Mash before exploring other tools.

RE and PSHE This half term we will learn about the key aspects of Hinduism in the UK. In PSHE, under our GROW value of Respect, we will think about healthy relationships, explore stereotypes and consider how other people live around the world.