

WELCOME BACK

We hope you have had a relaxing half term break. This term we are taking a trip across the pond to the 'Big Apple' to compare and contrast Manchester in Great Britain and New York City in a non-European country.

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English:

This half term we are beginning with using descriptive language to write a poem about the River Hudson. We will then write a narrative about a trip down the river. We will be focussing on the use of time adverbs, expanded noun phrases and conjunctions alongside using the correct punctuation for different sentence types. To end the half term we will learn and research facts about the different tourist sites in New York. Ultimately, resulting in the children designing a brochure for tourists visiting the city.

Key Dates:

4th March—Parent consultations

7th March - Parent consultations

26th March—Class and group photographs

27th March—Easter Disco



PSHE: This half term we will be looking at why we use the internet and the type of information shared online. We will also look at how to stay safe whilst using a variety of digital devices. Later in the term, we will explore money and how this is needed for our wants and needs in life.

Computing:

We will be revisiting how to present information digitally in different ways including spreadsheets.

RE:

This half term we will be exploring Islamic celebrations such as Ramadan, Eid al-Fitr and Eid al-Adha.

PE: Indoor and outdoor sessions will continue. Monday the children will take part in games and on a Thursday morning we will be continuing our gymnastic sessions with Mrs Buchanan. Please ensure that your child has appropriate kits which are clearly labelled.

Maths:

In maths, we will be using grouping and arrays to explore the concepts of multiplication and division. These skills will be applied when solving problems and the children will begin to recall the 2, 5 and 10 times tables. We will continue to learn about money, recognising the value of each coin and note, making amounts in different ways and finding change. At the end of the term we will be learning about fractions. Finding a half, quarters and thirds

Supporting your child at home: Please read regularly with your child and ensure you write comments in your reading diary when you have read. There will be weekly spelling checks and spelling rules will be posted each Monday for a check the following week For maths, begin to learn the 2, 5 and 10 times tables so your child knows them by heart.

Creative Curriculum:

Over the next few weeks, we will be conducting a comparison between the two contrasting cities, Manchester and New York. We will look at maps and photographs to look at what is similar and different between the cities, looking at both human and physical features, transport, rivers, buildings and green spaces. We will be looking at structures and ways to join and strengthen materials whilst designing, making, and evaluating a bridge to New York. We will be composing soundscapes to create the atmosphere and sounds of the city and river. We will also listen and explore the music 'Rhapsody in Blue' by George Gershwin who through music embodied the sounds and energy of New York in the 1920s. In art, we will looking at two American artists to develop our collage skills by creating a landscape using different paper and fabric.