



# Reading

This half term, we will use the poetry text 'Once Upon a Raindrop' and our core texts in writing to explore the 6 main reading skills contained in VIPERS.

### Writing

In writing, we will link our topic to our core texts. We will read 'The Rhythm of Rain', creating our own stories about travelling alongside a river. We will then produce a short documentary-style presentation based on information we gather from 'Exploring Rivers'

#### **Mathematics**

This half term, the children will continue to deepen their understanding of addition and subtraction. They will explore multiplication and division and use a range of resources, including number lines and dienes, to support their learning. Please support your child to practise the 3 and 4 times tables at home.

#### Meet the Team!

Team Leader: Shally

Teaching Staff: Alice, Lucille Shally

Support Staff: Liz, Lucie, Patricia, Vicky

# Rhythm of the Rain



# Supporting Your Child's Learning Supporting Your Child's Learning at Home

Please support your child to complete their weekly Mathletics and Spag.com tasks which are set each Friday. We also expect children to read for between 20 and 30 minutes daily.

#### Science

We will be studying rocks, soils and fossils in science this half term. We will be identifying and comparing features of different rocks and learning about how fossils are created. The children will have opportunities to handle different rocks and soils and will simulate a fossil excavation.

# Geography

This half term, we will be focusing on rivers, erosion and the water cycle. The children will develop a range of skills, such as using maps, atlases and globes.

#### **PSHE**

Children will continue to develop their understanding about healthy lifestyles and making choices that reflect this. Children deepen their knowledge around how to access help within their home and school.

#### PΕ

Year 3 will be having PE sessions on a **Monday**. The children will be developing their hockey skills and aim to play a 5-a-side game. The children will have their weekly dance lessons on a **Tuesday**. They will need to come to school in their PE kits on both days.

#### Dance

In dance, this term we will explore tap dance and generate dance in response to Rhythm of the Rain.

#### Music

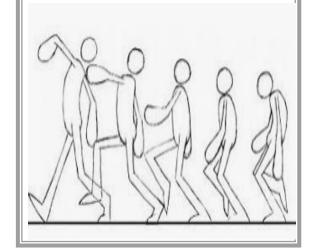
In music this half term, year 3 children are continuing to learn the ukulele. We are now moving our focus on to fretting (holding the string down to make new notes). By the end of this half term, the children will have covered the chords C major, A minor and F major. We will also be working on improving coordination while singing and playing these new chords, changing rapidly between each chord.

#### French

In French this half term, the focus will be on being in the classroom. We will be learning to understand and use instructions, alongside talking about pencil case items (nouns) and colours (adjectives).







#### Art

Following on from last half-term, children will continue to learn about notable BAME artists such as Zaha Hadid, Sonia Boyce and Jean Michael Basquiat. They will create their own artist research pages and look at the impact that the artists have had on the wider art communi-

#### RE

In RE lessons this half term, the children will be finding out abut peace in a global context and what peace means to Christians. They will explore Martin Luther King's vision of peace.

# Computing

This term in computing, the children will finding out all about stop frame animation. They will plan an animation and produce a stop frame animated film.