

Spring Term 3  
January - February



### English:

We are learning

- To read and spell more high frequency words correctly.
- To read a variety of stories, poems and information about India including traditional tales from other cultures and seasonal poems.
- To use capital letters for proper nouns, full stops, commas, exclamation marks, question marks and apostrophes.
- To use adjectives, adverbs, alliteration, plurals and noun phrases in our writing.
- To learn about different types of sentences: commands, questions, statements and exclamation sentences.
- To use the past and present tense correctly including irregular past tense verbs – eg; I am swimming (present tense) and yesterday I swam (past tense)

### Our Topic

India:

- Find out about our world, the continents, oceans and countries.
- Learn about the people and places in the UK and India.
- Mapping skills – using grid references.
- Compare lives in a village and city in India with our own lives.
- Looking at Indian art and making some of our own.
- Learning about British Values and our role in modern Britain, appreciating similarities and differences between us and others.
- Learning a traditional Indian dance
- Preparing and tasting Indian food.
- Finding out how to insulate an ice cube.



### Mathematics:

We are learning about:

- To understand multiplication as equal groups
- To know how to use arrays and repeated addition.
- To learn about doubles and the 2 times-table.
- To learn about the 5 and 10s times-table.
- To understand division as sharing and grouping.
- To know odd and even numbers.

### How can you help your child:

- \* Please hear your child read every day, it doesn't have to be for long, 10 minutes a day can be enough. You could encourage your child to find tricky words in their bedtime story book as well.
- \* Please help your child with their maths homework. This is sent home at the end of a block of teaching and will include some problem solving and reasoning which will encourage your child to use the maths words they know. Don't forget to log on to Mathletics and Purple Mash at home.
- \* Please encourage your child to ask you questions and explain why things happen.
- \* Please encourage your child to talk about what they have been learning about at school and encourage them to find out more about India at home.
- \* Please check our Class Dojo pages for updates and activities.



**Key Vocabulary:** Please encourage your child to learn, understand and use these terms and words. 'Whisper the word, say the word, act the word and say it in a sentence'

**Linked to India:** mandir, Gandhi, Taj Mahal, Hinduism, Rangoli, Mehndi

**Linked to science:** prediction, measuring, explain, materials, investigate, insulate, temperature.

**Linked to geography:** continent, ocean, Asia, Europe, seasons, Spring, Summer, Autumn, Winter, monsoon, United Kingdom, Himalayas, Ganges, Taj Mahal, feature, city, town, village, coast, transport, journey

**Linked to Mathematics:** Money, £ pound and p pence, equal groups, unequal groups, lots of, repeated addition, doubles, arrays, rows, columns, multiplication, symbol x, multiply, multiplied by, commutativity, count in 2s, 5s, 10s, times-table, sharing equally, grouping, division, divide symbol ÷, odd, even.



### General Reminders

- \* Please remember to name all of your child's belongings including their jumpers, cardigans, coats and hats.
- \* Please make sure your child has their PE kit in school. They need an indoor and outdoor kit as we will be going outside through the Winter.
- \* Please remember to bring your child's book bag every day.
- \* Please remember to wash hands before leaving for school and as soon as you return home every day.

**Thank you for your continued support ☺**

