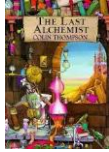


### Dates for the Diary:

- Explorer Dome – Friday 9<sup>th</sup> December
- Winterfest – Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> December
- INSET day – Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> January
- Start of Term 3 – Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> January

### We are Writers



As Writers, we have been inspired by a magical book called 'The Last Alchemist' by Colin Thompson. We have started to develop our knowledge of figurative language and how these can create a vivid mental image.

In our non-fiction unit, we will explore the features of instructions. Using Roald Dahl's **BFG** for inspiration, we will create instructions on how to trap a giant.

In our handwriting and spelling lessons, we will learn about words with the prefixes 'il-, im-, in-, ir-' and how to apply these prefixes correctly whilst practicing our letter formation.

### We are Self-Aware Citizens

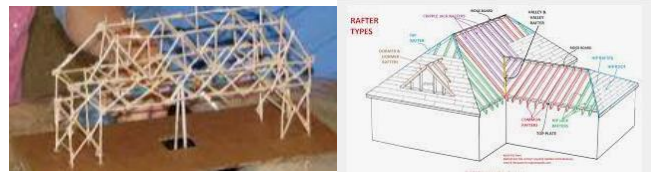
Our focus this term is to celebrate difference.

We will be learning about how to accept others for who they are and what influences our judgements on others. We will explore bullying, how to identify it and what to do if it arises. Lastly, we will celebrate our uniqueness.



### We are Designers

This term we will be exploring structures. We will learn what gives a building strength and how they are reinforced using cantilevers, beams, and rafters.



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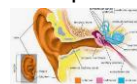
### We are Artists

We will be exploring texture, layering and materials as we learn about collage, using the artist Nancy Standlee as our focus.



### We are Scientists

We will be learning all about sound, how sound is made and how we hear. Ending an exciting visit from the Explorer Dome.



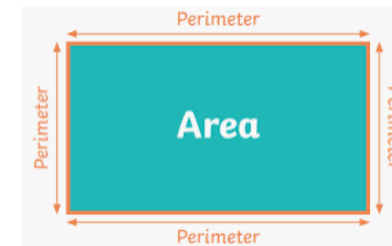
### General Reminders:

- The school day starts at 9am.
- PE days 4MR (Wed & Thurs). 4AP 4KW (Thurs & Fri)
- Wear trainers on PE days.
- Learning at home will be given out on a Friday and is due in on Wednesday.
- Remember to read 5 times a week!

### We are Mathematicians

This term, we will be learning to add and subtract four-digit numbers up to 10,000. This will be followed by perimeter and area with a focus on measurement. We will end the term learning the 3-, 6- & 9-times tables, looking at different strategies to aid recall.

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### This term we will also be...

**Athletes** - We will be learning the fundamental PE skills needed for Basketball.

**Citizens** – We will be learning to understand the symbolism in the Christmas story.

**Linguists** – We will be learning some introductory phrases in Spanish.