

### History- Queen Elizabeth I and Queen Victoria

In History, the children will be learning about Queen Elizabeth I and Queen Victoria. They will place key events from their lives on a timeline. The class will discuss the impact they had on society. The children will examine primary and secondary sources to identify key aspects of their lives. The class will identify the similarities and differences between the two women's reign.

### Computing- Questioning

In computing this half term, the children will be learning about the importance of phrasing questions. Following our Purple Mash curriculum programme, they will explore how certain data-handling resources are limited in the answers they can provide.

### Geography- Comparing the UK to Nepal

In Geography, the children will be learning about Nepal. They will identify where Nepal is on a world map, what the weather is like and key physical features. They will make comparisons between Nepal and the UK. They will identify the similarities and differences. They will also learn the names of some key physical and human features. They will learn about the Himalayan mountain range.

### DT – Mechanics

In DT, the children will identify toys on the market that are success in using levers, wheels and winding mechanisms. They will cut materials accurately to make a toy with a lever. They will also create their own toy that moves. They will use their knowledge to make a toy car. They will review what they make and make appropriate changes to make the car even better.

### RE - Salvation

Lower school will be learning about Christian traditions and salvation as we approach Easter. They will learn about why Easter is an important time of year for Christians and how it is celebrated.

### Science- Plants

In Science, the children will examine how seeds and bulbs will grow into mature plants. They will learn about germination and what plants need to survive. The class will take what they have learned and plant flowers to place in our new outdoor classroom.

### Maths

In maths, the children will learn about place value and money. They will practise solving maths problems on these topics that will encourage them to relate maths to everyday life.

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### PE- Sending and receiving

The children will be developing their throwing and catching, rolling, kicking, tracking and stopping a ball skills.

### PSHE – Healthy Me

In PSHE, the children will be identifying and discussing healthy choices.

### Music- Zootime

Lower School are learning a reggae song by Joanna Mangona called 'Zootime'. They will follow the charanga programme to complete activities that will encourage them to listen and express their opinion on this piece of music as well as other reggae songs. They will learn to sing and perform the song 'Zootime'.

### English

In English, the children will be delving into the features of narrative and instructional writing. They will write a story using the book 'Where the Wild things are'. They will continue to practice answering comprehension questions.

### How to help your child at home

Reading is so important in every year at school so please continue to read regularly with your child at home and ensure their reading record is signed accordingly. Ask VIPERS questions when reading at home. Encourage your child to write as much as possible when at home for many different purposes.