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*Coming up next week...*  
**12.05.25**

### **Maths**

This week we will start our fractions unit. We will explore recognising a half or two halves with both objects and shapes and we will be learning that the whole has been split into two equal parts. We will then build on this knowledge by finding a half of shapes or objects and we will be learning that half means "one of two equal parts". Then, we will use our previous learning to recognise and find half of a quantity. We will use our understanding of sharing and grouping to explore that the total can be shared equally into two groups to find half using concrete resources such as cubes, beads, and counters. We will also use our knowledge of doubles to find half e.g. is double 3 is 6, then half of 6 is 3.

#### **MATHS HOMEWORK:**

Finding half: When your child is having food, encourage them to use a knife safely to show you half e.g. of a piece of toast/babybell/potato. Discuss how many equal parts there are when something is cut in half and see if they can identify if an object has been cut in half and not cut in half (are the 2 parts equal?).

### **English**

Week 2 of our instruction writing unit will involve the children writing their own instructions. The children will be thinking about something they are an 'expert' in, for example making an origami animal, being a good friend or holding their pencil correctly. Have a chat with your child/ren about the things they are good at to give them some ideas as a starting point. We will revisit the key features of instruction writing and then start with writing a clear title and a list of 'what you need'.

### **Phonics and Reading**

We are revising the graphemes:

'ea' making the short sound in head

'ir' bird

ou cloud

oy toy

We will be revising the tricky words: any, many who, whole and two.

Our VIPERS text is called The Great Goldfish Election.

In Fluency the children will be reading an extract from the Oliver Jeffers story: The Way back home.

### Topic

History- Following our trip to Brooklands, we will find out a little bit more about Hilda Hewlett. She was the first British woman to earn a pilot's licence and she set up a flying school at Brooklands in 1910!

PSHE- Healthy Me! We will be learning that the body gets energy from food, water and air (oxygen); and start to recognise that exercise and sleep are important parts of a healthy lifestyle.

In Science we will be learning that the number of daylight hours changes across the seasons.

In RE the children will be learning what some Jewish families do during the Friday night meal which marks the beginning of Shabbat and some things Jewish families do during and how the end of Shabbat is marked.

Music- We will be creating a superhero theme tune with a variety in tempo and pitch.

Art- This week we will be exploring paper weaving.

### Additional notes and reminders

In a weeks' time our art project requires shoe boxes! If you have any boxes shoe box size, please drop them into the class teacher.

We require one between two.

Thank you 😊

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*Please note that as the week progresses it is sometimes necessary to change what is planned to meet the learning needs of the children and therefore changes to the above may occur.*