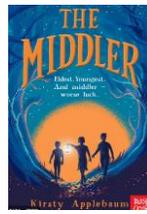
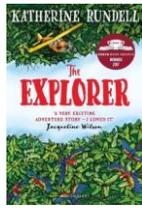


Fantasy Phase: Autumn 1

What we are learning:



Mental Health and Well-being

One of our greatest priorities this half term is to support children in coming back into school and feeling safe and well. We will be introducing the children to the new routines and ways of working and helping them to settle in and build relationships in their new classes.

Remember, our class email addresses are there if you need to contact us.

Writing

We are using the novel 'The Explorer' by Katherine Rundell this half term which is about some children and their quest for survival in the Amazon Rainforest.

We will be finding out what happens in the first few chapters and then the children will be writing their own endings to the story.

We are using FANTASTICs, Boomtastics and Grammaristics to help us write accurate and ambitious sentences.



Reading

We are reading 'The Middler' by Kirsty Applebaum for our class novel. Our comprehension lessons will be based on this too. Ask your children what has happened in the story so far. Accelerated Reader is up and running so please encourage your child to read and quiz regularly. How many millionaire readers can we get this year?

Science

In Science this half term, we are learning about Living Things and their habitats. We will be investigating and comparing a number of familiar life cycles including species that can be found in Brazil. We will be finding out which animals undergo metamorphosis. We will look at the varying life cycle lengths.

Maths

Our Maths curriculum for this half term will be working on:
Place Value and **Addition and Subtraction**.

The children will be securing their knowledge of place value of numbers to a million and beyond including comparing, ordering and rounding. They will also learn about negative numbers and recap Roman Numerals. They will then consolidate their knowledge of written methods for the four operations, beginning with addition and subtraction.

We will be prioritising teaching maths fluency skills and the children will be continuing to work through the 99 club to support this. All children will be working towards a club from the 11 club to the Gold club. Children will practise their Club level in school but can also practise at home using TTRockstars, Maths Shed or the downloadable practice sheets. Which club is your child on?



Geography

This half term we are completing a country study about Brazil. The children have been set the challenge of virtually travelling across the country and finding out all about the cities, people and landmarks.



PE

In PE this term children will be enjoying many opportunities to learn and move outdoors. We are learning about compass skills, problem solving as well as using the Personal Learning Skills from our Real PE programme. Children will still be able to enjoy home learning using the Jasmine Active website.

