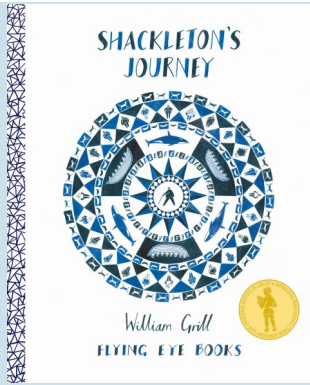




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English

In English this half term we will be focusing our English lessons on the real life story of the explorer Ernest Shackleton. We will be using drama to immerse ourselves into imagining what it would have been like to have to survive in freezing conditions with no food and little hope of rescue. We will be using this to write diary entries, letters, poetry and finally writing a narrative linked to Shackleton's adventures.



Topic

We will begin the term by looking at the geography of the UK as well as revising our knowledge of UK cities. We will then be moving on to learning about mountains and land use. We will be using maps and atlases to describe land use as well as learning about different UK mountain ranges.



Science

In science we will be learning about living things and their habitats as well as sorting creatures into different groups such as reptiles and amphibians etc. We will be observing habitats and looking at where different creatures choose to live. We will be considering how habitats change and how living things are affected by environmental changes.



Maths

$155 \div 5 =$

This term we will be consolidating written methods for multiplication and division. We will then be moving on to learning about fractions and decimal numbers.

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We will be learning to round decimal numbers to the nearest whole number and linking fractions and decimals. We will also be learning about the place value of tenths and hundredths.

0.06		0.9		$\frac{1}{10}$	
0.72		1.0		0.8	
$\frac{70}{100}$		0.40		$\frac{3}{10}$	
0.2		$\frac{10}{10}$		$\frac{20}{100}$	

Music

This term children will be continuing with last term's music. We will be having weekly digital and samba drumming lessons from 'Sistema Music'. The two classes will swap from Garage Band to samba drumming at February half term.



Sports

During PE, we will be focusing on improving health and fitness as well as taking part in tag rugby activities. We will be working on improving our own performance as well as improving balance and coordination skills.



Key Vocabulary:

explorer	mammal	amphibian
tenths	agriculture	reptile
hundredths	surveying	contour
decimal	habitat	mountain range

RE / RSE

This half term we will be thinking about friendships and respectful relationships. We will also be learning about immunisations and how vaccines can help prevent a range of infections.



Healthy
Relationships



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Weekly diary

Monday	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Hand in reading diaries for your reading and maths activities to be checked. (Make sure you have completed 4x reading and maths activities.) Outdoor PE in the afternoon (make sure your kit is in school)
Tuesday	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Hand in reading diaries daily.
Wednesday	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Hand in reading diaries daily. Hand in home learning books.
Thursday	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Hand in reading diaries daily. School library session PE in the morning (make sure your indoor and outdoor kit is in school)
Friday	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Hand in reading diaries daily.

- Spelling Quizzes will occur approximately once per fortnight. Your teacher will send home your spellings with each quiz date one unit at a time.



Key dates this half-term

Friday 10th January	My Place in the World Curriculum Day
Wednesday 22nd January 2-3pm	'I'll take you to Mrs. Cole' Café
Wednesday 22nd January	KS2 Movie Night
Friday 31st January 2:30pm	Les Lapins Show and Share
Friday 7th February	Safety Awareness Curriculum Day
Thursday 13th February	Valentines Disco
Friday 14th February 2:30pm	Les Hiboux Show and Share

All events from the 'Friends' will be live and available to book online from Monday 13th January. Please use this link to register:

<http://www.pta-events.co.uk/friendsofqhps>

