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| **Literacy:**  **Focus – we have a fiction text focus.**   * We will be looking at: * Traditional and fractured fairy tales – focusing on - description, setting and character. We will end by writing illustrated fractured fairy tale books. * Poetry; focussing on looking at and analysing different styles of war poetry. | **Numeracy:**  **During the Spring term we will be:**   * Multiply and divide numbers mentally. * Solve problems involving addition and subtraction, multiplication and division and a combination of these; including understanding the meaning of the equals sign. * Read and write decimal numbers as fractions and percentages. * Add and subtract fractions with the same and different denominators.   *Challenge your child to show you how to + - large numbers using the column method!* |
| **Topic:**  ***Weather and Climate:*** *students had a fantastic time investigating why and how we study the weather during the Autumn term. Ask your child to show you the different types of clouds!*  ***Mission to Mars!***  *This half term we will be venturing into the solar system; investigating the planets, creating realistic art representations of the plants, then finally we will design and create a Mars rover robot using ‘Mindstorm Lego’* | **RE, PSHE, Citizenship**  **& Other Learning:**    In **RE** this term will be looking at places of worship for the **key world religions**. With a focus on looking at what you may find, the personal value  of each, then writing  guides, reports and  descriptions based  around each religion.  **PSHE Ask your child about how we can celebrate our differences!** |
| **Other information:**   * **Attendance Matters!**   Year 5 attendance for the year to date  sits at 96.5%, just above our whole school target and the national average of 96%.   * We would like to thank you for helping your child to develop their reading skills, by practising a minimum of 3 fifteen minutes reading practise session each week. This really helps! | **Things to Remember:**    **Morning snacks need to be healthy!**  ***Return spelling books every Monday!***  **Return reading records every Monday!**  **Use the internet to research the Solar System**  **Keep Smiling!** |