

### Knowledge and Understanding of the World

In Geography we will focus on using maps, atlases and globes to name and locate some of the countries and rivers of the world. We will learn to describe key aspects of volcanoes and rivers. In History we will be learning about the achievements of the earliest civilizations and make a depth study of the Indus Valley civilisation. In RE we will be learning about Christianity, forgiveness and Jesus' miracles, sharing some of the stories in the Bible. In computing we will learn to explore computer networks, including the internet, and continue to learn about and practise e-safety.

In Science we will be learning all about natural rocks and how they are formed. Children will look closely at rocks and investigate their qualities and use their findings to group them in different ways. We will also learn about the layers of rocks the Earth is made up of and how they move to create mountains and volcanoes.

Welcome to Herons Class curriculum page. Our topic for the spring term will be 'Where the Mountains Meet the Seas' and this has a focus on Geography and History learning. We have a number of special events planned in terms 3 and 4 including Safer Internet Day, Book Week, World Book Day in March and the year 3/4 production. Home learning will continue to be sent home on Wednesdays and needs to be completed and returned on Mondays.



### Creative Development

In Art we will be learning about the arts and crafts of the Indus Valley civilisation and improving our mastery of skills in making sculptures using a range of materials such as clay or Modroc. In DT we will understand and apply the principles of a healthy and varied diet while preparing and cooking a variety dishes using a range of cooking techniques. In music we will be exploring pitch and beat, meter and rhythm through listening to, reading and composing music.

### English

Throughout terms 3 and 4 we will be improving our use of grammar and punctuation through different genres. We will continue to develop our use of vocabulary and learning new spelling rules. We will be drafting and editing writing in different genres; starting with poetry. We will also develop our confidence in reading our own writing aloud to others. Reading skills will be developed through guided and individual reading sessions. Don't forget to continue to use Spellodrome at home and try to win a certificate. In Spanish we will be learning how to say and recognise colours and numbers as well as vocabulary for introductions.

## Where the Mountains Meet the Seas



### Maths

Our main focus in terms 3 and 4 will be on fractions, multiplication and division. We will consolidate our quick recall of the 2, 3, 4, 5 and 10 times tables and begin to learn the 8 times table as well as applying these skills to problems. We will also continue to practise arithmetic skills and our Maths next steps. Don't forget to use Mathletics at home to improve your maths skills and challenge yourself to win lots of certificates this term.

### Physical Development

The term's learning focuses on **Health and Fitness** with a physical focus on agility, ball chasing and balance and next term will follow with the **Cognitive Skills** unit, focusing on dynamic balance and coordination. We will also be taking part in the Golden Mile each week. PE lessons will take place on Mondays and Thursdays, with Sports UK on a Wednesday so please make sure you have your PE kit in school.

### Personal, Social, Emotional Development

**Looking Forward** - The lessons during term 3 give pupils the opportunity to explore choices that have to be made regarding money. The concepts of saving, budgeting and earning money will be developed.

**My friends and family** - This unit involves learning about different kinds of families, coping with peer pressure and thinking about the importance of caring for yourself and keeping yourself clean.