


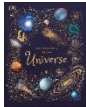
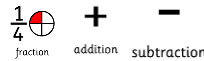






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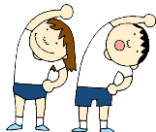






Subject	What are we learning?	How can you help at home?
English – Writing 	Through 'Planetarium.' By Raman Prinja we will be creating a non-chronological report based on a made-up planet of our own creation. Secondly, we will be looking at the short clip 'Pandora discovered'. Through this we will be writing a setting description based on the planet of Pandora.	Support your child with careful handwriting, punctuation, and spelling whenever they're writing at home. Your child will also have Year 5/6 statutory spellings in their homework books. Please support them with learning these words.
English – Reading 	We will develop our reading skills through the texts 'Mysteries of the Universe' by Will Gater During our reading lessons, we will be making inferences, making predictions, summarizing, and identifying key themes within the text.	We would love you to hear your child read as often as possible, and they will bring home a school reading book. Talk about the books your child is reading, ask them what's happened so far, or what they think will happen next. Discuss any new vocabulary. Talk about how a character might be feeling and why.
Maths 	In mathematics we will focusing on the topic of addition and subtraction with fractions. We will be looking at how to solve problems using addition and subtractions skills, strengthening our mental calculation skills and solving problems with fractions and decimals.	Support your child by practising the methods they have learnt. Get them to show their working out! You can try and have fun with mathematics and incorporate it into activities with your child. Finally, use Timestables Rockstars to practice their recall in a designated time!
RE 	In RE will be focusing our learning on 'Lent' within this unit revises and builds on the work done in year 4 on Lent. Understanding of the Temptation of Jesus and the symbolism of Lent is revised. Ways in which we prepare for Easter in Lent are explored at a deeper level. We will then move on to 'Holy Week' which will have a particular focus on Christ driving the traders from the temple. We will have the opportunity to explore what part this played in the events of Holy Week and what it tells us about Jesus.	Discuss Lent with your child, discuss the meaning behind temptation and see what they can remember from within lessons. Discuss Holy Week with your child, allow them to reflect on the events that unfolded and why they hold such significance.
Geography 	In Geography this half term we will be studying the topic 'Exploring Scandinavia'. We will explore the location, features and culture of Norway, Sweden and Denmark. They will find out how the climates differ in various areas of Scandinavia, explore spectacular scenery, learn about the culture and lifestyle in Scandinavian countries and examine how areas in the UK and Scandinavia are similar and different.	Support your child by discuss your child's learning with them, what can they recall about Scandinavia? Support your child in researching Scandinavia, what can they found out exploring the countries within?
French 	In French, we will be learning the topic 'That's Tasty' We will learn key vocabulary and phrases connected to a variety of food-based themes. They will learn vocabulary and sentence building connected to drinks, breakfasts, pizzas, sandwiches and favourite foods.	Practice the French words and phrases with your child. Recap these throughout the term to aid their fluency and recall.
Science 	In science, we will be looking at the topic 'earth and Space.' We will look at the movement of the Sun, Earth and Moon, day and night, seasons and phases of the Moon. We will be making detailed observations of shadows throughout the day when investigating the Sun's apparent movement across the sky.	Observe the world around us and the night sky with your child. What observations can they make? What do they notice?



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Art & Design	This term we will be looking at 'Space paintings'. Using a Retro Futurist aesthetic, we will be learning different art techniques to building up to producing a final composition based on a view of a planet in outer space.	Experiment with different techniques at home with your child.
PE 	In PE we will be learning netball and basketball. During these activities we will develop our skills of throwing, passing, catching and scoring within a net. Children should come into school wearing PE kits. We may do PE outside so please ensure your child is dressed accordingly. Our PE days are Wednesdays and Thursdays	Please also make sure your child has the correct PE kit. Information on required PE kit can be found on our website: http://www.holycrosscpri.iow.sch.uk/web/school_uniform/591997
PSHE 	PSHE this half term continues to be 'Created to love others.' Where we explore our relationship with others. Building on the understanding that we have been created out of love and for love, this module explores how we take this calling into our family, friendships and relationships, and teaches strategies for developing healthy relationships and keeping safe both online and in our daily lives.	Discuss your child's learning with them, what do they remember? What have they learnt? Discuss with them the importance of the relationships they have.
Music 	Our music immersion day will be based on our topic, or link to other areas of the curriculum.	Does your child have a favourite genre of music? Or a favourite artist? Can they articulate why?
Computing 	In computing, we will be looking at 'Data and information – flat-file databases.' We will learn that flat-file database can be used to organise data in records. We will use tools within a database to order and answer questions about data. Finally, creating graphs and charts from their data to help solve problems.	Discuss the learning with your child, can they remember things from the lesson?
Homework 	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Daily reading – recording it in the reading record (15mins). Children need their reading book and reading record in school every day.• Daily Times tables practise – TT Rock Stars (5mins)• Weekly Maths, Grammar and Reading (Given out on Friday due in the following Thursday)• Weekly Spelling (Given out on Friday and tested the following Friday)	