## Creative Curriculum

This half term our topic is based around local rivers and canals.

In History we will be studying how people used rivers and canals for transport.

In Geography, we will be learning how to read maps and atlases, identifying the seas  $% \left\{ 1,2,\ldots,n\right\}$ 

surrounding the UK and the rivers that flow through into these seas.

In art, we will be studying pointillism. We will be using the rivers and canals as inspiration.

#### Maths

This half term we will be focussing on fractions. Children will be taught how to add fractions which total more than a whole and subtract fractions crossing one whole. They will also learn how to recognise and find common equivalent fractions. Children will also be expected to continue to practise their times tables at home up to 12x12

#### Spellings

Each week children get spellings for homework and a weekly spelling test of those spellings on a Thursday. Please could you help your child by ensuring they are learning their spellings each week.

## P.E

Please ensure your child has their P.E. kit in school each week. Indoor P.E is on a Friday and outdoor P.E. on a Wednesday.

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## Reading

Children are given time each day to read in class so please bring your book bag (and reading book) to school every day. It is really important your child is reading regularly at home and bringing their book back to school. Our focus this half-term will be authorial technique, explaining why the author wrote something in a particular way and the word choices used.

## Science

This half term we will be learning about states of matter. We will learn about different states and how to identify which state a material is in. We will look at how and why materials change state and what these processes are called.

## Writing

Our class novel this half-term is Gulliver's Travels. Our writing will focus on using a variety of sentence starters including fronted adverbials indicating when, where and how. Children will write their own adventure story based on Gulliver's Travels.

# Computing

We will be focussing on writing for different audiences. Children will use a variety of packages to produce a written outcome.

#### French

This half term children will be learning how to describe the weather, name body parts and tell the time.

## Homework

All children will be given new homework every Friday, which should be returned by the following Wednesday. They will also have their spellings and their times tables to learn.