



Stoneraise School

Class Hazel Newsletter

Spring 1st Half Term

Dear Parents,

Happy New Year! I hope you have all had a fantastic Christmas and enjoyed the time together.

Our topic this half term is:

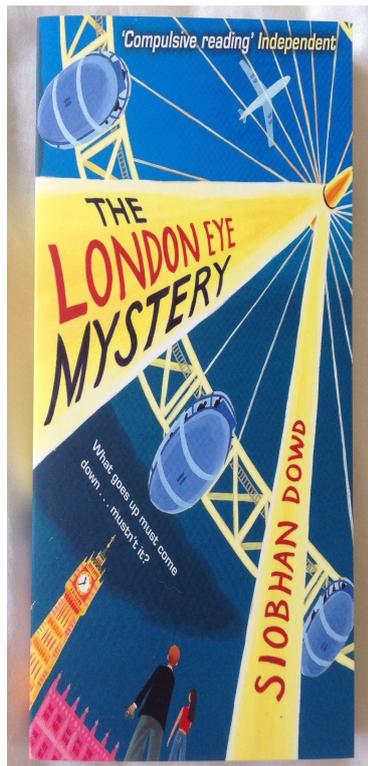
Can a sculpture speak?

The children will be researching a number of famous sculpture artists and discussing the range of materials used in their work. We will also be talking about whether a sculpture can improve our environment and remind us of our past. Finally, we will design, make and evaluate our own sculptures based on our learning.

English

Our English text this half term will be 'The London Eye Mystery'. This is a mystery novel by English Author Siobhan Dowd published in 2007. It tells the story of how Ted, a boy with Asperger Syndrome, and his sister Kat, solve the mystery of how their cousin Saim seemingly disappears from a sealed capsule on the London Eye.

This text links nicely with both our topic and our school trip at the end of the half term. Through this text we will be writing newspaper reports and completing creative writing tasks linked with the main characters.



Mathematics

In maths we will begin with place value in which we will be learning about Roman Numerals. We will also be continuing our work with the four operations and we will also be learning about reflection and translation.

Science

During science we will be exploring the topic of Space. We will be learning about how the planets in our solar system are organised, we will be describing the movements of the Moon relative to the Earth and of the Earth and Moon relative to our Sun. Finally we will use models to help explain our ideas.

Homework/Reading

Please continue to support your child in reading at home with Mathletics and spelling. They should aim to read 3 times a week at home, as well as reading daily in school.



Homework Project 3

Thank you so much for all of your efforts with last half term's projects based on the topic of Authors. Once again we had a fantastic variety of projects shown and it was clear that the children really engaged with the topic. Our Topic this term is based around Sculpture. Possible ideas for projects this term could be based on researching a famous Artist, a presentation on a sculpture they have visited, a model they have made based on a famous sculpture etc.

Our PE sessions will take place on a **Monday** and **Wednesday** afternoon.

Finally, if you have any questions, please don't hesitate to come and speak to me.

Samantha Armstrong