



5<sup>th</sup> January 2022

Dear Parents,

I hope you had a relaxing and festive holiday. This half-term we will be starting a new topic “Why are people living longer?” We will look at medicine through the ages, as well as different aspects of health and fitness and its impact on our body.

Below are some of the things we are learning this half-term in English & Maths as well as the homework expectations and information on the books we will be reading as a class:

English	Maths
<p>Spelling, Punctuation &amp; Grammar:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Expanded noun phrases</li> <li>Passive Voice</li> <li>Past perfect tense</li> <li>Modal verbs for formality</li> </ul> <p>Writing:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Persuasive speeches</li> <li>Emotive fiction</li> </ul> <p>Reading:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Evaluating texts by comparing how different sources treat the same information</li> <li>Identifying style and vocabulary are linked to the purpose of the text</li> <li>Understanding style and vocabulary are linked to the purpose of the text</li> </ul>	<p>Algebra:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Generate and describe number patterns</li> <li>Using simple formulae</li> <li>Express missing numbers algebraically</li> </ul> <p>Area &amp; Perimeter:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Using formulae for the area and perimeter of rectangles</li> <li>Calculating the area of triangles</li> <li>Calculating the area of parallelograms</li> </ul> <p>Volume:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Measuring volume in cubic centimetres</li> <li>Estimating volume</li> <li>Solving problems involving volume</li> </ul>
Homework	Books We Will Be Reading
<p>30 minutes of daily reading.</p> <p>Monday &amp; Wednesday: Maths CGP books</p> <p>Tuesday &amp; Thursday: English CGP books</p> <p>Friday – Athletics and Reading Eggs</p>	<p>Wonder by RJ Palacio (Narrative)</p> <p>We Are All Greta by Valentina Gianella</p> <p>Greta by Greta Thunberg</p> <p>Sensational! By Robert McGough</p> <p>Pig Heart Boy By Malorie Blackman</p>

Attached, you will find information about what we be learning in our topic ‘Why are people living longer?’ Included in this are key knowledge and facts that will be covered as well as a list of key

vocabulary and definitions. Please ensure that your children are familiar with these words, including the spellings, as they will be using them throughout their topic.

Please don't hesitate to e-mail me on [gold@groveroad.hounslow.sch.uk](mailto:gold@groveroad.hounslow.sch.uk) if you have any questions or concerns.

Yours Sincerely,

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