



# Great Alne Primary School

## Our topic for the Spring term is Wonder and Mystery

### English

**As readers we will** start by reading 'Wonderstruck' by Brian Selznick which will allow us to practice the reading skills of retrieving information, making predictions and inferences, summarising and explaining our thinking whilst learning new vocabulary.

**As writers we will** use 'Wonderstruck' and other texts to inspire a variety of writing genres. We will improve our use of figurative language, modal verbs, relative pronouns and relative clauses. We will revise the use of the terms synonym and antonym and the punctuation focus will include the ellipsis, hyphen, colon and semi-colon.

### Foundation Subjects

- As design technologists we will learn the ancient skills of weaving.
- As artists we will study Anglo-Saxon artefacts and the skills of pencil sketching.
- As geographers we will be learning about aspects of human geography including types of settlement and land use. We will also continue to learn map reading skills including using keys and 4/6 figure grid references.
- As historians we will study the Anglo-Saxons.
- As musicians we will be listening to and composing music using music technology.
- In PE we will be practicing gymnastics skills and learning how to play badminton.
- In RE we will be thinking about the key question: If God is everywhere, why go to a place of worship?
- In PSHE we will be following the whole school themes of Keeping Safe and Rights and Respect.
- In computing we will be evaluating digital content and learning how to use spreadsheets.
- In French we will be learning to name places in town, dates, cafes and food and be able to describe a beach scene.

### Mathematics

**As mathematicians we will** be improving our understanding of division, multiplication, fractions, decimals and percentages.

### Science

- **As scientists we will** be learning about the properties and changes of materials including reversible and irreversible changes and how to separate mixtures through filtering, sieving and evaporating.
- We will also study forces including gravity, air resistance, water resistance and friction.

### What can I do to help my child?

1. Read each night with your child to support their fluency and comprehension.
2. Use the Key Instant Recall Facts (KIRFs) sheet sent home each half term to support quick and confident recall which will support your child in their maths lessons.
3. Support your child during home learning tasks and ensure their homework is presented well and handed in on time.