



Dear Parents/Carers,

This half term, our class will be thinking about the key question 'How have explorers and tourists affected Everest?' and sharing our core text 'Survivors'.

During the term, we will be learning to use writing for entertainment, taking inspiration from a true story of survival, to create an exciting story opening. We will also be delving into some non-fiction writing to create a report around the changing landscape of mount Everest. In our Design and Technology topic, we will be taking a closer look at the structure of bridges and constructing some of our own, which ties in with our core text and our Geography topic on mountains.

To extend the children's learning further, we would like to continue with our home learning projects. This style of home learning aims to:

- provide opportunities for children to work independently on self-study.
- enable children to research an area of knowledge linked to the topic which interested them.
- provide opportunities for children to be creative and choose how they record.

Children could:

- Create a model of a different style of bridge (such as a suspension bridge), using different materials.
- Create an informative poster about methods of construction or a famous bridge (particularly any in a mountainous region).
- Write a report or create a presentation to inform and entertain.

Overall, we want the children to enjoy independent learning in any way they choose and be creative!

The aim of the home learning project is to spend a little time each week over the next four weeks working on the project and bring the result into school on **Monday 10th February 2025**. **On Tuesday 11th February 2025**, straight after school, parents are invited into the school hall, where projects from all classes will be displayed for you to see in a 'Homework Showcase'.

We are asking parents to spend time with your child sharing in the preparation and planning, talking together about what they are doing and providing encouragement and support.

We really hope you will enjoy working together and extending your child's learning at school further.

Yours sincerely,
Mr Burrows