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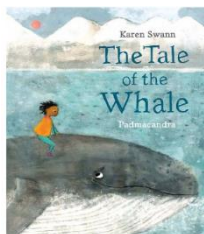
**Headteacher – Mrs P Atwal**

Friday 9<sup>th</sup> January 2026

Happy New Year! We hope you have a lovely Christmas break and enjoyed some time with family and friends. May we take this opportunity to say thank you for the gifts and well wishes we received before the holiday. They are really appreciated.

Our learning this half term is based around the global theme ***Saving Our Environment***

We will be learning all about different aspects of our world in our topic: 'How are our oceans changing?'



We will be reading our core texts, *What a Waste* and *The Tale of the Whale*, to lead our learning and to inspire our writing lessons. Our writing will focus initially on writing a recount and later in the half term describing a story setting.

- In our **maths** lessons, we will be naming, describing and creating patterns with 2D and 3D shapes. We will be consolidating numbers to 10, counting, thinking about odd and even and partitioning.
- In our **geography** lessons, we will be finding out about the oceans of the world.

- In **science**, our unit will be about animals. We will be grouping animals into the key groups (fish, birds, mammals, reptiles, insects and amphibians) and thinking about in which countries particular animals can be found.
- In **computing**, we will be using algorithms to move a robot.
- During **RE**, we will be learning about what it means to belong to a faith community.
- In **DT**, will we be using mechanisms, sliders and levers to create a moving picture.
- In **PSHE**, we will be learning about living in the wider world.
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- In **music**, we will be singing and listening to songs, finding the beat and using glockenspiels to add accompaniments.
- In **Physical Education**, we will be performing a weather dance on **Mondays**; and on **Wednesdays** we will be working on our sending and receiving skills.

On PE days, please ensure that your child wears their PE uniform to school and keeps it on all day. Children can wear shorts, jogging bottoms or leggings with a school-coloured t-shirt and hoodie or school jumper if cold. Please remove earrings and tie back long hair. Thank you.

### Homework

We will send your child's reading book home each Friday for them to practise reading to you. Please continue to help and support your child with **at least 3 reads at home per week**. There may also be extra sounds or words sent home in reading dairies to practise 'little and often' just to consolidate previous learning.

If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact us through the school office email.

Kind regards,

Mrs Rodgers and Mrs Macdonald