

### Literacy

-We will be reading a range of stories from Asian cultures e.g. Rama and Sita.  
-Children will be writing their own 'defeating a monster' tale!  
There will be a strong grammar focus within this topic.

### Ways to help at home

- Ensure children are reading a range of genres and text types.
- Talk with the children through their Talk for Writing homework.

### Music

Using the hit musical, 'The School of Rock' we will be using a range of skills: listening, analysing, composing and improvising!  
**Ways to help at home**  
Encourage children to listen to all different types of music at home.

### PE

-Tennis  
-Southend United will be running health and fitness education classes.  
**Ways to help at home**  
-Discuss with the children what makes a healthy lifestyle.

### ICT

We will continue with our blog writing/ vlog writing.  
**Ways to help at home**  
Use ICT to help children complete their topic homework.

# Asia

### Mathematics

#### Fractions

- To be able to identify equivalent fractions.  
- To convert mixed numbers into improper fractions.  
- To convert improper fractions into mixed numbers.  
- To add and subtract fractions and begin to multiply them.  
-To understand and solve problems regarding tenths, hundredths and thousandths .

### Ways to help at home

-Continue to practise and apply mathematical skills in real life situations.  
-Continue to practise multiplication and division facts.

### Topic

**Geography-** We will be looking at its location within the world, countries within the continent, we will be comparing and contrasting the lives/climates/ human and natural geography in Asian countries compared with our own.

**History-** Looking at the culture and traditions of different countries.

**Art** – Rangoli, Henna patterns and Japanese graphic art.

**RE-** We will also have a brief look at some of the other religions found in these countries.

**D and T-** We will be designing and creating our very own Taj Mahal.

### **Science- Forces:**

Gravity, air resistance, water resistance and friction  
Also, we will be investigating mechanisms, including levers, pulleys and gears allow a smaller force to have a greater effect.

This half term also includes 'Science Week' where we have a range of visitors and our focus will be: Journeys: space travel!

### PSHE

Mrs Pease will be covering energy saving this half term.

### **Ways to help at home:**

Discuss these topics with your children especially if they come up on the news etc.

### MFL

-Children will begin to discover masculine and feminine words through le and la and un and une.  
-The will also learn about clothes and begin to describe themselves.

### **Ways to help at home**

Discuss any French words you know and find out if they are masculine or feminine.