

PE lessons will be Mondays. Please send your child into school wearing their PE kit. Make sure any hoodies/jumpers are named please so it is easy for us to return them to you. Year 1 children will also need PE kit on a Friday for Be the Best.

Staff

We have Mrs Bovington, Mrs Southgate and Mrs Spring supporting in the mornings and Mrs Skeats in the afternoons. Mrs Bovington also teaches on a Thursday (after play and in the afternoon).

Reminders

Please continue to support us by listening to your child read at home. If your child finishes a book, they receive a sticker on their reading bookmark. Each 10 stickers earn them a prize. When it is full up, they receive a certificate in assembly. Please remember to write in their reading records; it is helpful for us to know how they're getting on at home with their reading.

The children have to put their book in a box in the morning if it needs **changing**. Please remind your child when you drop them to school if they need to change their book. Some parents have found it helpful to get their book out ready for them.

Please ensure jumpers, coats, bottles, snack pots etc. are all labelled so they can be returned to their owners. Our free flow play and lunchtimes are great fun; however, this does mean items are left all around school so items must be clearly named.

If you need to speak to me about anything at all, please catch me in the morning or at the end of the day. Alternatively, please email our class email (hawks@thrupp.gloucs.sch.uk) as I check this regularly. Thank you for a wonderful year so far and for all your support. Your children are wonderful and I'm looking forward to another term full of fun.

Miss Mills

Thrupp Primary School



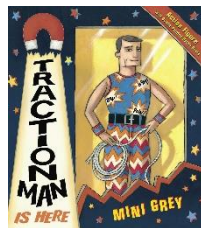
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Topic -Our topic this term is **What's your superpower?** This will begin with us - thinking about key events in our lives so far and sequencing these on a timeline. We will then begin to learn about significant people of the past who have had a positive impact on our world. We will learn about Edward Jenner, William Wilberforce, Amelia Earhart, Junko Tobei and many more. We will also be developing our chronological understanding and creating a history timeline.

In Geography, we will begin by thinking about where we live and discussing what we like and dislike about it. We will consider how areas have been improved or spoilt. We will also be using and creating our own maps and using locational language to describe the location of features and routes.

English -Our writing will be linked to our topic - beginning by looking at the book 'Traction Man is here' by Mini Grey. We will be writing postcards, speech bubbles, news reports, interviews and stories.



Y1 - We are becoming much more secure in using capital letters and full stops consistently in our writing. We are now learning to use capital letters for proper nouns, the conjunction 'and' and question and exclamation marks. We need to begin using our new phonics sounds to help us segment to spell.

Y2 - We will be continuing to use appropriate punctuation including beginning to use commas in a list and apostrophes. We will look at the 4 different sentence types and begin using co-ordinating (and, or, but) and subordinating (when, because, if, that) conjunctions.

Phonics/Spelling

Blue group - Will be continuing to learn year 2 spelling patterns and rules. These will be assigned to them on spelling shed for you to practise at home. There is also a list of the spellings the children need to learn in year 1 and 2 on the website for you.

Phonics Y1 group - We will be continuing to learn phase 5 alternative graphemes. An overview of the sounds for the whole year is available on our class page of the website titled Y1 Phonics Overview 2022-2023.

Maths - This will continue to be taught in single year groups. Year 1s will have Mrs Bovington and Mrs Skeats this term and Year 2s will have Miss Mills and Mrs Jenkins.

Y1 will be continuing to build their knowledge of addition and subtraction and becoming secure in their addition and subtraction facts to 20. They will then move onto length, where they will compare lengths using the terminology longer than and shorter than and ordering and measuring lengths and heights.

Y2 will continue learning about subtraction. They will be recalling subtraction facts, subtracting multiples of 10 and subtracting ones from 2-digit numbers. By the end of the unit, they will be subtracting two 2-digit numbers. Any practical support with this at home is extremely helpful. We will then move on to multiplication & division and length & mass.

All the children are learning their 2, 5 and 10 times tables, with Y2s also learning their 3s. Any help with this at home is greatly appreciated.

Science - We will begin by learning about animals first and then Y2 will move onto living things and their habitats. Year 1 children will be beginning to identify and name a variety of common animals (fish, amphibians, reptiles, bird and mammals) and identifying if they are carnivores, herbivores or omnivores. Year 2 children will be learning about offspring, describing the basic needs of animals for survival and the importance of exercise, eating the right amount of different foods and hygiene. Year 2 children will then move onto learning about habitats. They will be describing how different habitats provide for the basic needs of different kinds of animals and plants and creating their own simple food chains to show how animals obtain their food from plants and other animals. All of the children will be encouraged to think deeper and explore their own ideas by asking questions, using observations and performing simple comparative tests.

Be The Best Fridays - Year 1 children will have Mr Bird for PE on Friday afternoons this term. After half term, they will have Mrs Parker-Stanley. Year 2 children will have Miss Barwell for the first half term with an Art focus and then Mrs Clarke after February half term.