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- Introduction to key reading skills (retrieval, vocabulary, prediction, inference, summary, linking, author's viewpoint)
- Walkthrough Wednesday – Answering questions together, increasing fluency and discussing strategy
- Choral reading – Exploring the texts of Anthony Horowitz
- 10 minute reading comprehension tests

### How You Can Help Your Child in Reading

- Listen to your child read 4 times a week and complete their reading diary
- Introduce a variety of text types to your child e.g. newspapers, magazines, online articles, recipes etc.
- Listen to audiobooks with your child and encourage discussion

### Writing

This half term, we will be focusing on the following key areas:

- How to plan, write and edit a viewpoint story
- Writing dialogue which advances action
- Recapping verbs (inc. the verb 'to be')
- Recapping adverbs of time, place and manner
- Using modal verbs for possibility
- Recapping the use of contracted forms
- Spelling of topic words linked to contemporary music
- Spelling of Year 5/6 statutory words
- Spelling of words containing ie and ei
- Spelling of words ending -cial and -tial
- Spelling of words ending -cious and -tious
- Spelling of words with prefixes (in-, im-, il- & ir-)

### How You Can Help Your Child in Writing

- Encourage your child to speak in full sentences about their day at school, using the past tense
- Practise spelling of Year 3/4 and Year 5/6 statutory words
- Encourage completion of SpellZone homework
- Play games such as Scrabble or Boggle which encourage spelling
- Ask your child to write for different purposes

Discuss new vocabulary when it arises including context and promoting discussion about language



## Maths

### Fractions:

- Equivalent fractions and simplifying
- Equivalent fractions on a number line
- Compare and order fractions considering both the numerators and denominators
- Add and subtract simple fractions
- Add and subtract any two fractions
- Add mixed numbers
- Subtract mixed numbers
- Multiply fractions by integers and other fractions
- Divide a fraction by an integer
- Finding fractions of amounts

### Measurements:

- Metric measures
- Convert metric measures
- Calculate with metric measures
- Miles and kilometres
- Imperial measures

## How You Can Help Your Child in Maths

- Generating written questions in line with the above statements
- Children to calculate shopping lists and other bills to improve arithmetic ability
- BBC Bitesize resources and videos for detailed breakdown and quizzes
- Look to the Springfield Primary School Mathematics policy and knowledge organisers (Available here: <https://springfield-pri.essex.sch.uk/curriculum/mathss/> )
- Sumdog online
- TTRS Studio, Garage and Soundcheck
- Multiplication and division flashcards
- Optional purchase of CGP KS2 Maths SATS Question book/ SATS Arithmetic Buster book/ SATS Maths 10 Minute Test book