



# KS1 Summer 2 Going for Gold!



## Our topic

Our topic for Summer 2 is 'Going for Gold' As part of this topic we will be looking at the Olympics and some famous Olympians like Wilma Rudolph, Mo Farrah and Jessica Ennis. We will learn to write non-chronological reports and look at a range on non-fiction books to support our learning. Alongside this, we will be visiting The English Institute of Sport and taking part in our own sporty activities.

## Summer 2 Coverage

<b>History</b>	This half term, we will be learning all about the history of the Olympic Games and how they bring together multiple countries to compete and how the athletic competition hopes to inspire others in hope to create a better world. In addition to this we will also look at race and disability and how this has evolved over time. One of our focuses will be Wilma Rudolph and how despite being told she would never walk again, <b>Wilma Rudolph</b> won three track and field gold medals at the Rome 1960 Olympic Games.
<b>D&amp;T</b>	In Design and Technology, we will be linking our work to our Olympic topic and designing and making our own sporty t shirts. We will be learning to use a range of materials and components to add to our designs. Alongside this we will also learn about nutrition and the basic principles of a healthy and varied diet to help us to prepare dishes.
<b>Computing</b>	In Computing, we will be continuing to develop our knowledge of e-safety and will think about the importance of keeping safe on the internet. We will also create a Word document and create a poster.
<b>RE</b>	This half term, we will be learning about the power to make a difference and what we can learn about stories and prayers from Jesus. Children will be given the opportunity to explore the use of prayer in empowering Christians and to consider how they can be empowered to bring about change in their lives.
<b>PE</b>	In PE we will be focusing on striking and fielding games for example cricket and rounders. We will learn different ways of travelling at different speeds and following different pathways and directions or courses. We will develop the skill of changing speed and direction whilst running and begin to choose and use the best space in a game.
<b>PSHE</b>	This half term, we will be focusing on keeping safe. We will learn all about safety in the home, water safety, road safety and hazards in and out of the home.
<b>Music</b>	We will be continuing our Music lessons with the wonderful Mr Grainger this half term. This half term our music sessions will be about reflecting on our previous learning, performing songs from the year and listening to a wide range of music to develop our musical tastes and appreciation.

## Reading

This half term we will be looking at non-fiction texts to help us learn about our fascinating Olympic topic. We will look at a range of former Olympians and the history of the Olympics from the past.

We are continuing with our whole class reading rewards each half term for children who read at least 3 times per week. We will be sending reading books and home-school diaries home daily in your child's book bag to encourage regular reading at home. Your child will have the opportunity to change their reading books regularly in class but please note that it is their responsibility to do so if they have finished with a book.

**Don't forget that we now offer our library service on Tuesdays and Thursdays after school down in the Infant building.**

## Times Tables Rockstars

Please continue to encourage your child to practise their times tables with a focus on their 2s,3's, 5s and 10s. We will be setting plenty of challenges on TT Rockstars and might even go head to head against other year groups for the chance to win special prizes in school! Also, look out for our top rockstars on our school newsletter each week. Your child might be mentioned on there!

If you have any issues with your child's TT Rockstar login, please let your class teacher know as soon as possible.

## Homework

Children will receive maths homework on a fortnightly basis. Each piece of homework will directly link to the learning they have done in class and will be tailored to meet the needs of your child. Please encourage them to work on this independently at home with minimal support, if needed.

We expect maths homework to be handed in by the date written in your child's book. If it is handed in late, your child may be expected to complete it during their break time in school.

Year 1 children will continue to bring home weekly phonics homework. This will be focused on the specific sounds they have learned that week in lessons. Please recap these sounds and support them with this as, the phonics screening check will soon be upon us!

## Optional Creative Homework

To add to your child's learning experiences, we would like them to create something at home linked to our new topic, 'Going for Gold'. This could be in the form of a written task, a piece of art work, a 3D model or an IT based creation such as a PowerPoint, Word document, video or even some baking.

**In each class, there will be a prize for the most creative and impressive homework!**

**Below are a few ideas for inspiration:**

- Make a fact file on the life of a famous Olympian.
- Interesting fact cards around the history of the Olympic Games.
- Design your own gold medal.
- Design and make a healthy meal for a sporting star.
- Send some photographs of yourself taking part in a sporting activity.
- Design your own Olympic village.
- This could also be done as a 3D model.
- Do some research about the Olympics in the past.

**Remember, to have fun!**

