

The Terrifying Titanic Hawk Class - Spring 1- 2026

Welcome back, I hope you all had an enjoyable Christmas and New Year break. Our topic for this half term is all based around *The Titanic*. We will be looking at the history of this very famous ship, where it sailed from and where it was heading, as well as what life was like on board. To help us get a better understand of *The Titanic* we will be visiting the SeaCity Museum in Southampton (more detail to follow!) This is one of my favourite topics to teach and so I can't wait to get started. If you have any questions please do not hesitate to pop in and see me.

Kind regards
Zara Noyce



English

The children will develop their skills of writing various types of recounts using the book 'Call Of The Titanic' by Lindsay Galvin. We will be writing letters, telegrams, diary entries and newspaper reports as part of this unit of work so we will really be imagining what it was like for people on-board this ship. Additionally, our trip to SeaCity will really help us to understand more about what life was like so we can really get into role.

How can you help?

Spend some time with your child, allowing them opportunities to study age appropriate historical diary entries and newspaper articles. Ask your child about the layout of the text and language features.

Please continue to encourage your child to read their own choice of books; hearing them read and talking about what they are reading.

Please help your child to learn their spellings for their test each Friday.

Maths

This half term, we will continue our work on fractions by adding and subtracting fractions with different denominators before looking at multiplying fractions and finding fractions of amounts. We will then start looking at the relationship between fractions and decimals, beginning to work with numbers up to 3 decimal places.

How can you help?

Continue to practise times tables as much as possible. **Having a rapid recall of these, and other important facts makes working with fractions so much easier as it is all so interlinked.** Therefore, please encourage your child to continue to practise their times tables by going on the Times Tables Rock Stars or anything else that they enjoy, to help practise their times tables knowledge, to keep skills sharp.

Please encourage your children to use their mathematical knowledge at home. Telling the time on analogue clocks, working out how much things are when they are reduced by half etc.

Science

This half term we will be focussing on the properties of different materials. Have a look at this website to give you an idea of the types of materials we will be looking at:

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/zryycdm/articles/zk2d96f>



PE

We will hopefully back to normal with this taking place on a Monday and a Tuesday every week. Please ensure your child has their **full PE kit (white top, shorts/jogging bottoms and appropriate trainers)** in school all week. We will be finishing off our gymnastics unit during the first few lessons of the half term (please ensure that your child has **black shorts** for these lessons as we will be on the apparatus) as well as developing our fundamental movement skills. The other P.E. lesson each week will focus on dance where we will be learning the Charleston and developing our performance and improvisation skills.