

### English

We will be reading *Varjak Paw* by SF Said



In our writing we will be learning to:

Write a biography about Benjamin Zephaniah, a British writer and dub poet who was included in The Times list of Britain's top 50 post-war writers in 2008.

Write a narrative from *Varjak Paw* about his adventures in the city.

Write a descriptive recount about a day in the city.

### Maths

We will be exploring subtraction, multiplication and division. This will include subtraction with renaming and multiplying

Continue to learn our multiplication tables and practice number sense.

### Spelling/Phonics

We will have a weekly spelling list of words to learn. Spelling rules, we will learn are:

Prefixes super- and auto-, homophones, words with the /k/ sound spelt ch.



Hop on the bus and take a trip downtown, where the lights are bright, and every street has a story to tell.

This half term, we'll virtually visit our local town to look at important buildings. We'll write an information leaflet about our town. Using digital mapping tools, we'll identify the streets and buildings that we see. We'll investigate cities around the world and find out how they've changed over time. We'll analyse and present data on places that are visited. As part of our design work, we'll build a model urban landscape, create dramatic light effects and find out how light is used to keep people safe at night.

We'll investigate cities around the world and find out how they've changed over time. We'll analyse and present data on places that are visited. As well as this in our science lessons, we will be learning about light and shadows. We will look at light sources and reflectors and investigate how we can change the size and shape of shadows.

**Art/DT:** In Art, we will explore line, tone and colour to create a multi layered graffiti style painting.

**Computing:** The children will use desktop publishing software and consider careful choices of font size, colour and type to edit and improve premade documents. They will be introduced to the terms 'templates', 'orientation', and 'placeholders' and begin to understand how these can support them in making their own template for a magazine front cover. We will look at a range of page layouts thinking carefully about the purpose of these and evaluate how and why desktop publishing is used in the real world.

**Music:** This term we will be looking at the song "Three Little Birds" by Bob Marley. We will be understanding the pulse, rhythm and the pitch of the song whilst learning how to listen and appraise other reggae songs.

**PE:** In P.E. this term, through the sport of gymnastics, children will develop their fundamental movement skills with a focus on jumping. They will also learn to improve their own performance by accepting and acting upon feedback from peers.

**PSHE:** In PSHE, we will be exploring the topic of keeping safe. We will explore what safe / unsafe means, looking at risk and danger and learning about ways to keep ourselves and others safe.

**R.E:** We are learning to retell Bible stories when miracles have happened and question whether Jesus really did perform miracles.