



Lighthouse  
School Leeds  
*Inspiring Bright Futures ...*

# What we are learning

## Spring 1



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## English

Our topic in English this half term will be Theme Parks, a shared cross-curricular project with Maths. We will be using the Theme Park topic to support writing for different purposes. The writing focus will allow students to develop creative and descriptive writing skills. The topic will also give students the opportunity to develop their transitional writing through the creation of newspaper articles, brochures, information leaflets, job applications and advertisements.

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## Maths

Our Maths topic this half term will be linked to Theme Parks. This will be a shared cross-curricular project with English. Through the Theme Park topic students will develop skills in map reading and co-ordinates, time, speed and distance and well as problem solving and budgeting.

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## Science

Students will be studying a module on the human body (microbes and diseases) and survival (separating mixtures). This is a cross curricular project with other subjects in school. In science they will learn about separating mixtures, and about how diseases are caused and spread.

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## Computing

In Computing this half term, we will be learning about how computers work. We will look at a range of peripheral hardware as well as application and utility software. We will also look at different Operating Systems and learn what they do.

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## RE

In RE we will be learning about Humanism. We will learn about the beliefs and values of humanism and investigate if and how humanists may celebrate birth, weddings and funerals. We will look at why happiness is important to Humanists and explore the golden rule.

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## Humanities

In Geography we will be learning about transport. We will identify the problems of inner-city traffic and investigate the solutions to these issues, evaluating their effectiveness. We will also learn about the debate over the Leeds Bradford airport link road and decide which is the best proposal.

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## Music

The group will be learning about Vivaldi's 4 seasons. within this topic we will learn about how to use our instruments to create seasonal sounds and moods. The students will also learn how to identify the notes in the treble clef and learn how to play 'spring' on the keyboard.

**Teacher:** Laurence Jones

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## Food

In Food this half term, students will be learning the basics of hygiene and safety in the Food Room and developing an understanding of healthy eating using The Eatwell Guide. There will be opportunities to develop practical skills and learn about ingredients and equipment.

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## PE

Whilst developing skills specific to Hockey, we will also have the intention of improving the following; independence, social skills and relationships, health and fitness, graceful in victory and defeat

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## PHSCE

This half term the students focus is on Me, Myself and Others. Pupils learn about what makes themselves and others special, learn about roles and responsibilities at home and school and learn how to co-operate.

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## Wellbeing

This half term will focus on understanding relationships- this will include understanding consent, understanding peer pressure, making good choices and having healthy relationships

The group will also look at the 'Alright Charlie' CSE resource and be able to describe how to keep themselves safe from inappropriate relationships.

Students will also have a half term focus on understanding empathy in their small group sessions.

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## SaLT

Students will continue to focus on friendship skills and appropriate interactions with others. Students will continue to build on 'learning to learn' skills, such as looking, listening and taking turns.

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## Employability

In Employability this half term, we will identify and investigate a number of different job roles. We will also research job roles and career paths of people we know. We will also continue to use Start Profile to look at jobs that may be a destination in the future.

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