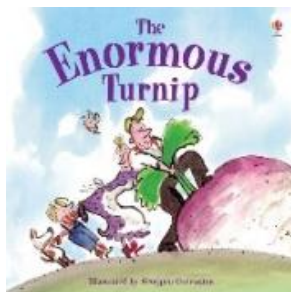




**Termly overview:** Welcome back and Happy New Year! We hope everyone had an enjoyable Christmas break. The weather is very wintry at the moment so please ensure your child has **wellies** and a warm coat in school each day to allow outdoor play and learning in all weathers (a spare pair of socks is also helpful in case they get wet!). PE days will continue to be Mondays and Thursdays. Please continue to support your child to read most days, books will be changed when they can read their book fluently and after the taught reading sessions throughout the week. We will continue the open classroom on a Thursday morning from 8:50 for book swap, all are welcome to come in and help your child choose their library book. Thankyou for your continuing support **Mrs Whitbread**

## English:

Our English text this half term will be the traditional tale of The Enormous Turnip. We will compose sentences orally before writing them and join words and clauses using "and". We will read our writing to others once completed.



## Storytime / RfP:

We will read a variety of fiction and non-fiction texts, including poems during our shared reading time and focus on developing our love of reading!



## Maths:

In maths we will be learning place value within 20, particularly understanding teen numbers. We will then move on to add and subtract within 20, developing fluency and problem-solving skills.

We continue with our daily Mastery in Maths session which helps children to understand the value, meaning and order of numbers. This lasts 15 minutes per day and aims to increase fluency and improve long term memory for maths. This is a national initiative from the NCTEM and is led by our North Yorkshire maths hub. The children love it!

## History:

We ran out of time last term for our history unit about toys so will be including it in this term's learning. We have borrowed a toys topic box from the Dales Countryside museum in Hawes to support our learning. If you have any toys from your own childhood, we'd love to see them. If you would like to come and tell us about them, even better!

## PSHE:

Our learning focuses on staying safe and making smart choices. We will discuss the importance of rules and learn how to stay safe online. We will then move on to reflect on our strengths and skills before thinking about jobs and the skills they require.



**Science:** We will continue learning about the season of Winter, we will investigate what the weather is like and how animals behave. We will learn about dressing appropriately and will keep our fingers crossed for some snow!



## Geography:

We will be learning about the United Kingdom, including the four countries, their capital cities and surrounding seas. We will explore the countries within the UK and understand some of the differences between them.



## PE: \* Monday & Thursday \*

We will be developing our teamwork and ball skills in target games and improving our fundamental ball skills such as throwing, catching, dribbling etc.



**Music:** We will explore 'No place like' by composer Kerry Andrew. No Place Like is a vocal piece by the composer. We will complete adventures along the way and learn more about body percussion sounds, including beatboxing!

**Computing:** Building on our previously-learned programming skills, we will be using Bee-bots to understand how to program a robot and learn how computers follow our instructions!



## Art:

Our art this term will look at the formal elements of shape, line and colour through drawing and painting. We will study the artists Beatriz Milhazes and Wassily Kandinsky before creating our own work.