Geography

This half term, we will take a look at the geography of the UK from the physical features of mountains, rivers and seas to man-made administrative regions and counties. We will find out how the UK has changed over time, looking specifically at how Newcastle has changed. We will refine our atlas skills as we look to map out the different counties within the UK's regions.

English

Our class text in Spring two will be the last book ever written by Roald Dahl; all will be revealed! We will use this text to facilitate our whole class guided reading sessions, in addition to inspiring our writing opportunities. We will use this book to write setting descriptions for "The Forest of Sin" and character descriptions for the red-hot, smoke-belching Gruncher. Our final piece of writing for the half term will be a non-chronological report on birds, as they play an integral part to this amazing story.

D&T

For our DT project this half term, the children will create a **healthy snack**. To do this, we will practise our cutting, grating and spreading skills before creating our product.

PE

We will be building upon our skills learnt during Tag Rugby in the Autumn by learning how to perform to a high standard in attacking and defending invasion games.

Why do people live where they do?

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Maths

Across the next five weeks we will mainly focus on fractions. We will continue to use Times Table Rockstars and will encourage the use of SUMDOG. Towards the end of the half term we will begin our work on mass and capacity using scales and the units of grams and kilograms.

Science

Our science focus this half term is **Plants.** We will learn the names of the different parts of plants, and the jobs they do. We will work scientifically to investigate what plants need to grow well, and we will present our findings to the class. We will look at how water is transported within plants, and identify the parts of a flower. Finally, we will explore the stages of the life cycle of a flowering plant.

Computing

In Computing we will focus on using emails. We will learn how to compose effective emails and understand how to use emails safely. Finally, we will look at adding attachments to our messages.

<u>Music</u>

We will continue with our weekly Ukulele sessions, in addition to our lessons with Mrs Milner.

French

We will continue to build our French vocabulary, learning adjectives to describe animals in our favourite books. We will also learn the French lyrics to some songs.

RE & PSHE

In RE we will be building on our knowledge of **Hinduism** from Autumn 2. We will explore different Hindu deities and how they fit into the belief system. We will also consider the Christian festivals of Mother's Day and Easter this half term.

In PSHE we will be exploring skills needed for different jobs and will finish the half term learning about the physical effects of smoking.