



Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope you all had a fantastic summer. We are very excited about the learning for this term.

We will be exploring our new big question: How do humans use rivers? We will be learning about how the water circulates in a continual process of evaporation, condensation and precipitation, how rivers change overtime and understand what causes flooding. The children will be comparing the Lake District and the Fens, looking at their human and physical features.

In English, the children will be writing their own explanation text on the water cycle. It will feature numbered points, time connectives, pictures, diagrams, labels and captions to help the receiver understand the process of this continuous cycle. After this, we will move onto writing an adventure narrative, which will include creating story characters, events and using lots of descriptive vocabulary.

For Maths, we are learning about numbers and their place value for three-digit and four-digit numbers. We will then move onto addition and subtraction. There will be a big focus on times tables as the Year 4 children will be expected to know all multiplication facts up to 12x12 by the end of the year.

Reading skills will be taught four times a week. This is an opportunity for children to not only improve on their fluency of reading and their comprehension of texts, but also their use of vocabulary. The children will be taught VIPER reading skills such as, how to make predictions, use inferencing to help understand the text and retrieve information from text to answer comprehension questions. Our class book will be using for Guided Reading this term is War Horse.

Our PE topic this term is Ball Skills. The children will have the opportunity to develop their accuracy and consistency when tracking a ball. They explore a variety of throwing techniques and will learn to select the appropriate throw for the situation. They will develop catching with one and two hands as well as dribbling with feet and hands. These skills will then be applied to small group games.

In Science we will be starting our Rocks topic. We will be comparing and grouping together different kinds of rocks, describing how fossils are formed and recognising that soils are made from rocks and organic matter.

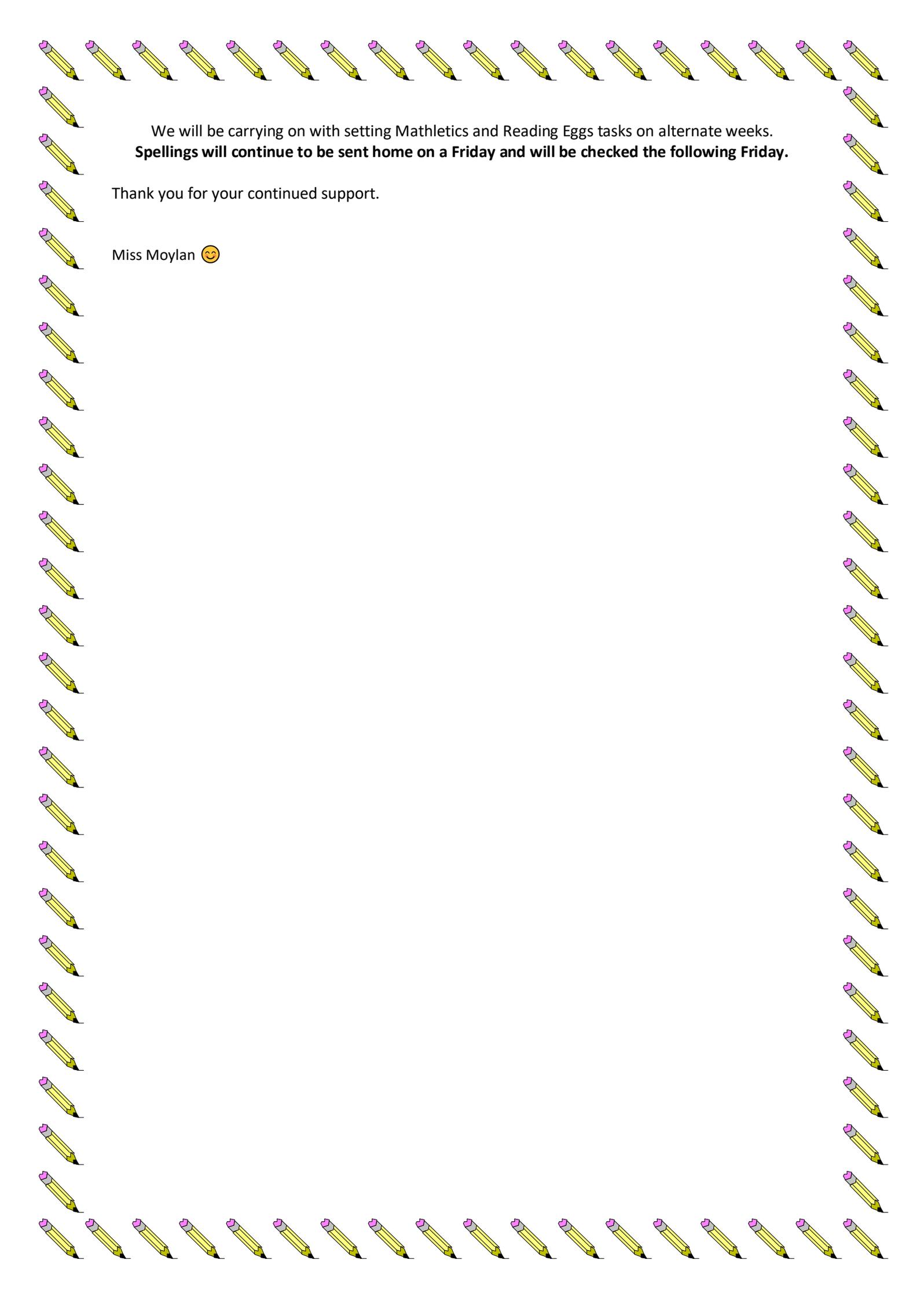
In RE we will be exploring our big question: How does Hindu worship and celebration build a sense of community? We will be learning about the festivals of Holi, Navaratri and Diwali and understanding how Hindus celebrate these festivals as well as the religious stories behind them.

For Computing our topic is online safety. We will be learning about how to deal with upsetting online content and how best to respond. We will also be learning how to protect our personal information on online platforms.

In Music the children will be looking at different pieces of music, looking specifically at rhythm and layers in music. They will then move onto to composing their own rhythmic piece, using a variety of instruments.

For Art this term we will be creating our 3D mod rock river model. We will be designing, making, painting and evaluating our project.

Homework and Spellings



We will be carrying on with setting Mathletics and Reading Eggs tasks on alternate weeks.
Spellings will continue to be sent home on a Friday and will be checked the following Friday.

Thank you for your continued support.

Miss Moylan 😊