

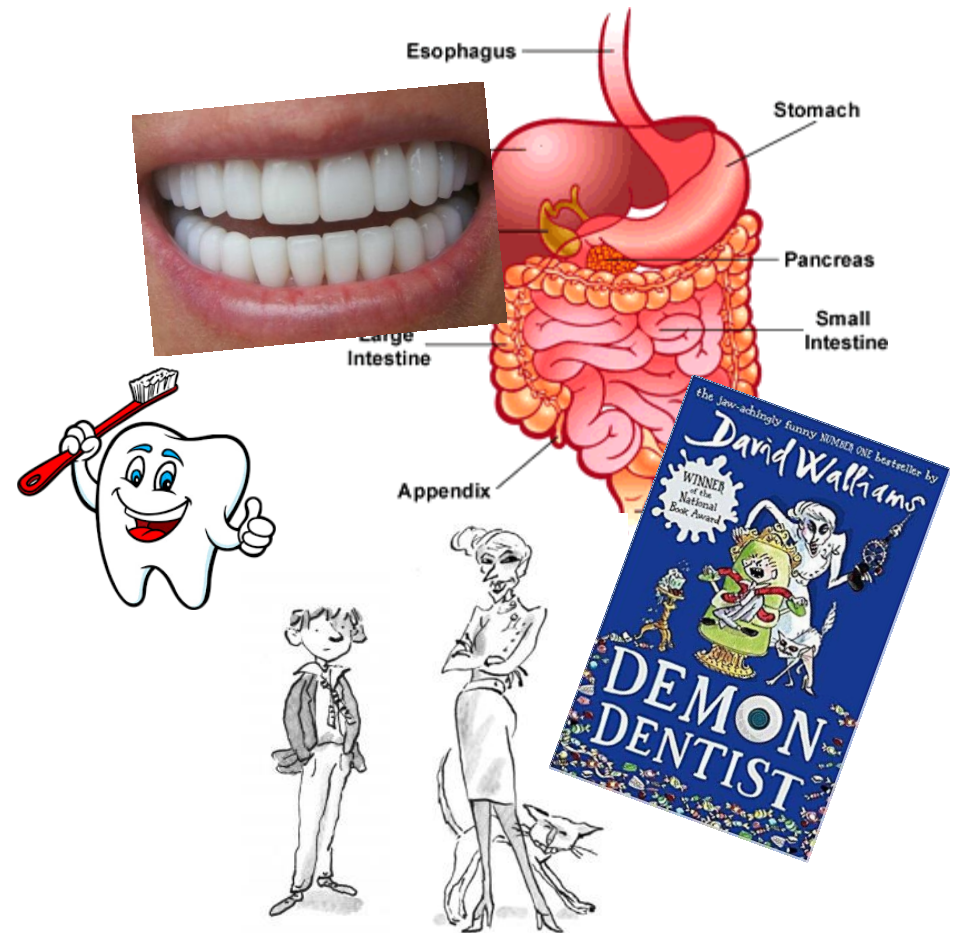
“When the new dentist, Miss Root, moves to his town, Alfie and a little girl called Gabz are the only ones who seem to notice the dentist's peculiar behaviour. What is Miss Root up to? And what will she do to poor, innocent Alfie and Gabz?”

In English we will:

- Read and learn about different narrative texts and write our own stories based around our novel ‘The Demon Dentist’ by David Walliams.
- Read and learn about explanation writing and write our own explanations relating to our topic. For example; explaining how to eat healthily or the functions of the different teeth.
- Continue to develop our reading skills through phonics, spelling and guided reading sessions.
- Poems e.g. kennings, cinquain

To help your child you could....

- *Read children’s stories together. Compare two stories and talk about their differences and similarities.*
- *Talk about the purpose of an explanation and why people write them and read them.*
- *Read explanations together and talk about the information they have told you.*
- *Share and enjoy short poems with a clear structure. Can you identify their patterns?*



Bottoms Burps & Bile

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Our work this half-term will be based on the theme of Bottoms, burps and bile, the journey that food takes along the digestive system, beginning at the mouth with our teeth.

In Science our topic is the digestive system. We will:

- Learn about the different types of teeth.
- Explore how the digestive system works and what it does inside our bodies.
- Learn about the parts of the digestive system and their function.
- Develop our knowledge on what happens to food inside our bodies.

To help your child you could...

- *Discuss the importance of taking care and looking after our teeth.*
- *Talk about the positive impact of eating healthy foods and having a balanced diet.*
- *Support them in completing a topic related piece of homework to be able to hand these in on a weekly basis.*

This term in Mathematics we will:

- Explore and learn about number, using place value to recognise, compare and order, read and write and solve practical problems.
- We will be looking at problems involving addition and subtraction, using different methods to solve them.
- Develop our mental calculation skills for subtraction, addition and multiplication.
- Learn about rounding 4-digit numbers to the nearest 10, 100 and 1000.
- Learn to estimate numbers using our rounding skills.

To help your child you could...

- *Lots of counting in different steps and practice adding and subtracting numbers mentally.*
- *Practice multiplication tables with your child, reciting them, and mixing them up for a fun challenge.*
- *Looking at different number patterns where they change in steps of 10, 100 and 1000.*
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Subtraction	-
Multiplication	×

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