

# The Firework Maker's Daughter



## English –

“Poor Lila’s heart was beating like a bird caught in a net.” p.87.

Our book this term has many opportunities to develop our literacy skills. We will cover a range of different texts including:

- Wishing Tale
- Explanation Text
- Journey Tale
- Discussion Text

## Maths –

“Look we’ve got eighteen rupees already.” p.10

This term, we will be continuing with the Power Maths Scheme of work. The topics we will focus on includes:

- Decimals
- Money
- Time
- Statistics
- Geometry

## Science –

In our first Science unit this term, we will be learning about animals including humans. Our particular focuses will be on teeth and the digestive system.

In our second unit, we will be learning about electricity. We will learn how electricity is used and even make our own circuits.

## Geography –

“Lila had been making her way through the jungle towards the sacred volcano.” p.22.

Within Geography this term, we will be learning about physical and human geography of China including famous mountain ranges, rivers and how these contribute to the area’s trade links.

## D&T –

In our DT lessons this term, we will be developing our cooking skills. We will learn about the principles of a healthy diet and then plan, prepare and cook our own Chinese noodle dishes.

## PSHE –

In our Heartsmart lessons, we will continue to learn about relationships, staying safe and making the right choices. Our two main focuses for this term will be ‘Fake is a Mistake’ and ‘No way through isn’t true’.

## RE – “Goddess!” he said. “Please hear me, too” p.57.

This term, we will explore the Christian concept of the Holy Spirit. We will be answering the questions: What part do Christians believe the Holy Spirit plays in welcoming Christians into the church community? Why do Christians say: ‘Father, Son & Holy Spirit?’

## French –

The children will learn the names for different foods in French and how to create their own French shopping list. Next, we will move on to learn key vocabulary and phrases around the theme of school.

## History –

“Make a dozen and we’ll put them into the New Year Festival display.” p.4.

Throughout History this term we will be learning about the Shang Dynasty of Ancient China.

We will focus on what it was like to live in Ancient China, what we know about the different periods of China’s history and what we can learn from different sources of information left behind.

## Computing –

“...the fizz and crackle of gunpowder” p.1.

In computing, the children will use the app StopMotion and Dolnk to create stop motion animations of fireworks.

Art – “...with handfuls of sparks, and swarmed against the rocky wall till it melted and slid downwards like soft wax” p. 73.

During Art this term, we will explore the technique of Batik. The children will learn about the style of Batik and replicate sketches in similar patterns. The children will then learn and apply the process of wax resist. Finally, we will use dye to add colour.

## PE –

“It sprayed out wicked little sparks, each of which turned a somersault before going out” p.3.

Again, this term Mrs Jenkins will be taking Year 4 for PE and this will now take place on a Thursday afternoon. We also continue to be taught by Sportscape on a Wednesday afternoon.

## Music –

This term’s Music focus will be on developing our singing skills using the unit ‘Blackbird’ on Charanga.

