



# Sycamore News

Autum 1 edition

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Hello everyone and welcome to our first newsletter and an overview of our first topic 'migration and movement'. This topic will explore the reasons why people and animals migrate, understanding migration throughout history to the present day. This newsletter is a quick update of everything happening in Sycamore this half term. As always, if you have any questions or concerns, feel free to speak to me at the beginning or end of the school day, or email me at [sycamore@mundford.dneat.org](mailto:sycamore@mundford.dneat.org) I look forward to another exciting half term!

## English:

This half term we will be exploring the idea of migration through the book *Windrush child*. In this heart-stopping adventure, Benjamin Zephaniah shows us what it was like to be a child of the Windrush generation. The story follows a little boy Leonard as he comes to Britain from Jamaica when he dad sails to Britain on Empire Windrush, to help rebuild Britain after WW2. Life in Britain though is not what Leonard expects and the story follows the adventure and sometimes heart break of his new life in Britain. We will be writing diary entries in the role of Leonard and newspaper articles about the Windrush generation.

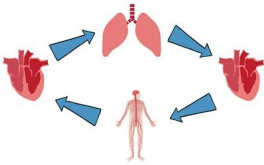
## Maths:



This half term, we will be looking at the place value of numbers up to and greater than 1,000,000. We will then be revisiting our addition, subtraction, multiplication and division skills, looking at factors, multiples, square numbers, cube numbers and prime numbers!



## Migration and movement



## Science

In Science, we will be looking the circulatory system and the movement of our blood around our body to deliver oxygen to our vital organs. We will also experiment with how exercise and movement can affect our health!

## Geography:



We will be looking at why people migrate across the globe, looking at push and pull factors caused by human and physical geography. We will look specifically at natural disasters, focussing on volcanic eruptions and earthquakes and how these change the landscape, causing people to move from their homes.

## History:

We will be looking at migration through British History, focussing on the movement of people during and after WW2, including the evacuation of children and vulnerable adults to the countryside and who the Windrush generation were in supporting the rebuilding of Britain post war!



## Art

In Art, we will be looking at the Moth Migration art project! This is an exhibition of hand drawn moths, drawn by artists across the world, who donated their own drawings of moths native to their country to the New York art piece after a social media appeal!



Dates for your diary:

Homework will be given out every Friday and due in the following Friday.

PE for Sycamore Class will be on Tuesday afternoon (swimming) and Thursday mornings (normal PE session with Mr Brotherhood).

Autumn 1 Mundford Junction: 8th October 9.15- 10.15am

Autumn 1 Showcase: 23rd October 2.30-.3.15pm