

History

We are considering why we remember people. We will be focussing on working conditions and the lives of children in Victorian Britain. We will investigate what life was like during this period and explore who made a difference during this time. Children will learn about

RE

During the first part of the half term, the children will consider what type of world Jesus would have wanted by looking closely at the Gospel. The second part of the term will ask the question "Why do Christians call the day Jesus died, Good Friday?"

Music

Children are continuing to learn and develop their skills in ukulele playing. They will learn and perform songs for the Easter service.

Art and DT

In art we will explore the work of Victorian artist William Morris. Children will consider pattern and use his work to inspire their own artistic designs. The class will create their own rainforests. They will investigate printing techniques and use these in clay.

PE

During the spring term, the children will put together and improve a gymnastics sequence. They will have three visits to the Big Top in Uttoxeter to use the specialist equipment there. They will learn dance movements and plan their own dance

Spring 2024

Key Stage 2



Curriculum Information

Literacy

Children will be given many opportunities to enjoy reading and to develop their own reading preferences. The children will be encouraged to read for enjoyment and to develop their own reading journals. We will be developing reading and writing through our topics. During the first half term, we will read Street Child and link writing opportunities to this. Children will write diaries, newspaper reports and formal and informal letters. As a class, we will be looking to extend and develop our vocabulary choices. The children will do daily spelling activities, investigating rules and learning to apply them. Once learnt there is an expectation that children will apply spelling rules in their writing. We will also focus on grammar and handwriting; specific skills will be addressed and targeted where appropriate.

Numeracy

The children will continue to work on developing their mathematical skills and learning their number facts. Areas we will cover are:

- Mental and written multiplication and division including formal written methods.

- Measures - length, perimeter and area.

- Fractions- add fractions, equivalent fractions and find fractions of amounts.

- Decimals including money.

- Problem solving including reasoning and explaining how they solved the problem.

Modern Foreign Languages

This term we will be using the start of sessions to practise frequently used words and phrases, such as introductions, names, how we are feeling and numbers. Our topic focus is the weather. Children will build on their knowledge of word order and sentence structure to learn weather phrases and present their own weather forecast.

Science

Children will investigate Forces and Magnets. They will be taught to compare how things move on different surfaces and to notice that some forces need contact between two objects, but magnetic forces can act at a distance. They will observe how magnets attract or repel each other and attract some materials and not others. They will compare and group together a variety of everyday materials on the basis of whether they are attracted to a magnet and identify some magnetic materials. After half term, children will learn about living things, their habitats and the impact that humans have on the environment.

ICT

The children will learn about coding through the Purple Mash programme. After half term children will focus on learning the skills of touch typing.

Geography

After half term our topic is 'What on Earth?' Year 3 and 4 will focus on South America and rainforests. We will consider types of rain forest, climate, the animals that live there and how plants have adapted. We will investigate deforestation and eco-systems.