English

In our English lessons we will continue with our daily basic skills sessions focusing on spelling, punctuation and grammar. Our focus this term will be non-fiction texts, we will look at how to write a diary entry using our topic to inspire us. The class will also create their own fact files written on one of the famous explorers we are studying in history. We will also use our talk for writing approach to learn a finding tale and write our own stories.

Mathematics

We will build on our knowledge and practise written methods for multiplication and division. Children will explore fractions in different representations, for example, fractions of shapes, quantities and fractions on a number line. Later on in the term we will look at how to write fractions as decimals. Times tables will be an important area of focus for us.

Science

Our science lessons this term will see us learning all about the human digestive system. We will be exploring the scientific terminology for parts of the digestive system, including the teeth, and even making our own digestive systems- complete with poo! Later on in the term we will focus on electricity, exploring conductors and insulators and experimenting with making our own circuits.

History & Geography

Our history lessons will take us to a variety of different exciting destinations this term. We will learn all about the world's most famous explorers and their journeys, including Christopher Columbus, Captain Scott, Ernest Shackleton and Ranulph Fiennes. We will even travel to space to look at the moon landings. In Geography, we will look at planning journeys and maps.

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'Let the journey begin...'

Our topic for the Spring term will take us on an exciting journey around the world in the eyes of famous explorers.

This term, we will focus on programming. Pupils will create programs by planning, modifying and testing commands to create shapes and patterns. Children will also investigate the role of computers in forecasting and recording weather.

Art and Design

In our art and design lessons, we'll be working on different techniques. We will link our art lessons to our topic, we will be using our sketch books to draw and shade our own portraits of famous explorers. We will look at the work of Nerys Levy and create our own Antarctic landscapes using paint. Later on in the term, we will look at the exploration of Space and recreate our own masterpieces based on Peter Thorpe's work.

Physical Education

We will kick start our PE lessons with some circuit training. Later on in the term we will work on performing a range of gymnastic elements improving our control and balance. We will also build on our skills in tag rugby.

Religious Education

Our key questions for RE this term will be, 'What kind of world did Jesus want?' and 'Why do Christians call the day Jesus died Good Friday?' We will explore the story of the life and the teaching of Jesus.

PSHE

Our focus in PSHE will be, 'Dreams and Goals.' We will discuss hopes and dreams, overcoming disappointment and achieving dreams.

Music

In music, we will be learning about using notation. We will use quavers and crochets to compose our own simple rhythms and move on to composing and performing our own pieces. After half term, we'll explore famous musicians such as Mozart and Elgar.

Languages

We will be improving our skills this term by learning to speak and write full sentences in French. The class will learn how to talk all about themselves in French. We will continue with our French and Spanish songs.

How you can help

Please continue to read with your child as often as possible, help them to learn their weekly spellings and support them with their times tables. This term, please focus on times tables, I have uploaded extra information to Google Classroom along with resources. Thank you for your continued support,

Mrs Watters