

Mathematics

In maths this term, we will be focussing on multiplication and division. The children will begin by looking at arrays and the different ways in which equal and not equal groups can be formed. There will also be a high focus upon learning times tables during this unit. We will cover a variety of tables to see how they can be grouped. All whilst thinking about our reasoning and how division can be linked. We will then move on to look at the multiplication and division of larger numbers whereby the children will learn more methodical approaches in which to solve the calculations presented to them.

RE & PSHE

In RE with Mr Hancock, we will begin by exploring 'How do festivals and worship show what matters to a Muslim?'. We will talk about stories and teachings that show how celebrations are recognised within different communities.

In PSHE we will be exploring 'Dreams and Goals.' This topic will look at aspirations. Whilst also understanding how to achieve goals and the emotions that go with it.

Physical Education and Forest School

In PE with Mr Hancock, we will be incorporating our rainforests topic with dance. Using body shapes and movements in order to create both individual and group combinations and routines.

This term the children will learn all things outdoors through Forest Schools with Mr Gibbs. They will explore outdoor creativity through a range of skills and teamwork activities.

English

This half term in English we will be looking at the model text, 'The Stone Trolls'. Using the Talk 4 Writing approach, we will learn the story through drama and actions, whilst also delve into setting description within the text. This will build towards a final piece of work where the children will create their own interpretation of the model text.

After half term, we will focus on a non-fiction topic of instruction writing. The children will be using rich discussion, drama, hot seating and a dialogic focus in order to gain an understanding of the techniques used within a model text to then create a final piece of their own.

Year 3 will finish the term by studying the techniques of a Structured poem (Cinquain) before applying their knowledge and creating one of their own.

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Topic - Rainforests

Music

In music this half term, the children will be learning to play the recorder with Miss Sheppard. We will also be focussing on poetry within music where we will be identifying and performing sounds in a piece of music.

Art

In art this term, we will be applying our learning of rainforests through a range of artwork to include sketching and printing with the focus of precision. We will also study various artists and both the feelings and viewpoints they are intending to create.

Geography

In our geography lessons this term, we will learn about 'rainforests'. This will include aspects such as life in the rainforest, the different layers that are formed and using maps to identify locations of rainforests across the globe.

We will also look at ways in which we can protect our rainforests, including linking it to our Harmony project of the cycle.

Science

Our science topic this term is 'plants'. We will learn how to identify the main parts and functions of plants, how plants grow and to understand the importance of transportation and the life cycle. Linking all the knowledge that we have acquired to our cross-curricular topic of 'rainforests'. The children will also seek to expand their knowledge through investigational research.

Computing

In our computing lessons, we will begin by focussing on programming through Scratch. This will be done by exploring the application and using loops to make an animation. Building and progressing towards programming a story and game within Scratch.

Languages

In French this term our learning will include; the French alphabet, numbers and colours. This is to give the children a range of tools in order to put together a short dialogical piece with their classmates.

How you can help

Please continue to read with your child as often as possible, help them learn their weekly spellings, listen to them read and support them with their ongoing times tables. Our PE days during this Spring Term One will be on a Monday and Thursday with Forest Schools on a Friday. PE after half term will be on a Monday and Friday. Gold Awards will continue to be on a Wednesday, so please bring in any achievements to share with us. Many thanks for your continued support! Mr Hancock.