

Maths

This half term, we will learn about fractions and mass and capacity. They will understand and use fractions, compare and order them, and solve related problems. For measurement, they will measure, compare, add, and subtract mass (kg/g) and capacity (l/ml) using practical equipment. In arithmetic, we will learn to write and calculate multiplication and division problems using the multiplication tables we already know. They will start with mental methods and move to formal written methods, such as multiplying and dividing 2-digit numbers by 1-digit numbers. They will also recall and use facts for the 3-, 4-, and 8-times tables.

Geography

This half term we will continue our Journey to Europe topic. We will locate different countries on maps of Europe. We will use climate maps to identify the climate zones and compare to our own. We will use aerial maps to investigate the physical and human features of different places and describe key physical and human features of Germany, Italy and Russia.

PHSE

Healthy Me is the focus for PSHE this half term. The children will be developing their understanding of the affect that exercise has on their bodies. We will discuss our feelings toward drugs and identify how to keep ourselves safe. We will appreciate and discuss how amazing and important our bodies are.

PE

Our first unit will be 'Tag Rugby.' The children will learn the basic rules of tag rugby. They will develop skills such as recognising when to defend, understanding different positions for attack and defence, using tactics to pressure opponents, consistently sending and receiving the ball to keep possession, and moving into space to receive the ball.

Our second unit will be Netball. We will apply the basic rules of netball whilst developing our passing and catching skills. We will learn to use space efficiently to build upon attacking skills within our game.

Science

This half term in Science, the children will explore the world of plants in Science. They will learn about the functions of different parts of flowering plants and how they contribute to growth and survival. The essential requirements for plant life, such as sunlight, water, nutrients, and air, will be covered. The life cycle of flowering plants, including pollination and seed dispersal, will be explored. These lessons aim to develop an appreciation for the vital role plants play in our ecosystem.



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RE

'Why do Christians Call the Day Jesus Died 'Good Friday?'

In RE, we will be learning about the concept of 'Salvation' and understanding that Christians believe Jesus came to 'save' or 'rescue' people by showing them how to live. They will explore the significance of Holy Week to Christians, offering informed suggestions about its meaning and providing examples of what Christians say about its importance. The children will also make connections between the Gospel accounts and how Christians commemorate Easter in their communities, as well as describe how Christians express their beliefs about Jesus in various forms of worship.

English

We will be working on two writing outcomes based on the book 'Jemmy Button': a return narrative to narrate a story and letters to recount events. They will build on their previous year's grammar knowledge by using 'a' or 'an' correctly, understanding word families, and using a wider range of conjunctions like 'when', 'if', 'because', and 'although'. They will also learn to express time, place, and cause using prepositions such as 'before', 'after', and 'during', and adverbs like 'then', 'next', 'soon', and 'therefore'. Additionally, they will develop their understanding of using the present perfect form of verbs in contrast to the simple past and will be introduced to using inverted commas to punctuate direct speech.

DT

Our unit is 'Food: Eating Seasonally'. We will design a healthy and nutritious savoury tart recipe using seasonal ingredients, considering taste, texture, smell, and appearance. We will use design criteria to test and review dishes, understand the benefits of seasonal produce, and suggest improvements for their tarts. They will gain knowledge about the growth of fruits and vegetables, the impact of climate on food, and the environmental effects of imported foods.

Computing

Our unit is Video trailers. We will learn to describe the purpose of a trailer and create a storyboard for a book trailer. We will also consider camera angles, import media into film editing software, add text and transitions, and evaluate trailers.

MFL/Music

In MFL we will continue our playground games topic. We will Ask and answer a question about our ages. We will carefully listen and relate sounds to a written phoneme. Children will also recall numbers one to 12 with increasingly accurate pronunciation.

We will continue to have our Brass lessons taught by a specialist music teacher. We will develop our musical vocabulary, breathing skills, improvisation aptitude and ability to read music.