

Maths

This term we will be focusing on multiplication and division. The children will begin by multiplying up to a 4-digit number by a 1-digit number before moving onto multiplying by 2-digit numbers. We will then look at short division. We will begin by looking at dividing 4-digit numbers by a 1-digit number then look at division with remainders. We will look at the skills and apply these in a range of contexts.

Science

In Science this term, we will be learning about Forces. The children will begin by understanding the effect of gravity on objects. Then they will identify the effects of air resistance, water resistance and friction. They will also recognise that some mechanisms (pulleys and levers) cause a force to have a greater effect. The children will work in small groups to carry out a range of investigations and present their findings in different ways.

English

Our class text this term is King Kong by Anthony Brown. The children will write a dilemma narrative and a balanced argument. We will look at cohesive devices, commas to avoid ambiguity, expanded noun phrases, punctuating direct speech and relative clauses. We will also be reading extracts from the text Beowulf to develop our reading skills.

History

This term the children will be learning about The Anglo-Saxons and the Vikings. We will begin by learning where the Anglo-Saxons came from and understand why they invaded Britain. The children will learn what life was like in an Anglo-Saxon village and learn about their laws and beliefs. They will then look at why the Vikings invaded Britain. All of the learning will allow the children to consider how the Anglo-Saxons and Vikings changed Britain from 410AD to 1066AD?



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Art - Painting and Mixed Media: Portraits

In this Art unit, pupils will develop creative and technical skills through portrait-based projects. They will learn to outline portraits using words, experimenting with size, shape, and placement for visual interest, and explore a range of materials and compositions for backgrounds. Pupils will communicate ideas for photo portraits, make thoughtful decisions about positioning and layout, and create successful prints. They will use art vocabulary to compare and discuss portraits, research key facts online, and express opinions about artworks. Through experimentation with materials and techniques, pupils will adapt photo-portraits and produce a self-portrait that represents something personal, demonstrating consideration of how their choices of materials and composition affect the final piece.

PHSE

This term, pupils will explore mental health and wellbeing, including understanding and expressing emotions, building self-respect, and developing a positive body image. Lessons will raise awareness of eating disorders, phobias, and anxiety, while teaching strategies to manage worries and seek support. Our aim is to equip pupils with practical tools to care for their own wellbeing and respect others.

Computing

This half term we will begin our online safety unit. Children will understand how apps can access personal information and how to alter the permissions. Children will also become more aware of the positive and negative aspects of online communication. Finally they will consider their online reputation and how online information can be used to form judgements.

PE

Our PE units this half term are gymnastics and netball. In gymnastics, we will create longer and more complex sequences and adapt performances. In netball, we will be making choices about which pass to use and where to shoot from as well as implementing some tactics to get free. 5Hu will continue swimming.

RE

In RE we will be beginning to learn about Islam. The children will make connections between the Islamic faith and Mosques, between Christianity and The Church and between Buddhism and the Buddhist Temple and describe connections between beliefs and how people worship. We will also reflect on the idea that the earth is a holy place we share.

MFL/Music

Our MFL topic this half term is verbs in a week. The children will read new verbs aloud, practice accurate pronunciation and will give opinions using one of the new verbs.

In Music, children will learn about South African music. Children will sing a traditional African song and then used tuned percussion instruments to play a chord progression.