

English - Speaking and Listening, Grammar, Reading and Writing

As **writers** we will be practising our talk story to help support our writing. In fiction we will use our class novels and our real life experiences to focus on writing a suspense story. In non-fiction we will be learning how to write a diary entry.

As **readers** we will be building up our fluency, pace and comprehension by reading and discussing a wide range of fiction, non-fiction texts and poems. We will be looking at texts such as 'Diary of a killer cat' by Anne Fine.

Religious Education

In **RE** we will be looking at religious symbols, ideas and beliefs. We will be exploring Christianity and importance of the bible to Christians.

History and Geography

As **historians** we will immerse ourselves into the lives of the Stone Age people and really try to understand the differences of their lives compared to ours. We will deduce information from a variety of sources of evidence and be able to explain our reasons.

As **geographers** we will investigate the different parts of the world, including North and South poles, different hemispheres and their climates. We will research and compare the United Kingdom to Australia.

Mathematical Development

As **mathematicians** we will continue to focus on mental and written methods of the four rules of number (+ - x ÷) to increase our accuracy and pace. We will also continue to consolidate on our arithmetic skills using Times Table Rock Stars and become more confident with our place value, addition and subtraction. We will recap our 2s, 5s and 10s times tables and practise our 3 times tables daily.

In addition, we will become more confident with trickier word problems. We will also be looking at how maths problems can be broken down into smaller steps and the different ways that we tackle these challenges.



Home Learning

School will provide a reading book; it is expected that children will read at home at least 3 times a week. Please help your child by listening to them read and ask questions to check their understanding. In addition to support your child's learning, there will be set homework tasks and weekly spellings so that together we can give your child the best chance as they move towards their termly assessments. We will regularly practise our handwriting and also will have weekly spellings to learn.

Art /Design Technology / Music

As **artists**, we will improve our art techniques by creating an Autumn collage using a range of styles and different materials. We will also be studying landscape art and focusing on the famous artist Hokusai.

As **designers**, we will be examining a variety of structures to generate, model and improve our own ideas to create a functioning kite. We will be looking at the key designer Homan Walsh.

As **musicians**, Teach24 will provide us with knowledge of music through the decades and we will also have the opportunity to learn the ukulele.

Physical Development and Healthy Lifestyles

Over the term we will be looking at our collaboration skills and what it means to work in an effective team. This will be reinforced in our PE lessons when we will look at supporting our team mates in a variety of team sports.

Science

As **scientists** we will identify and describe the functions of different parts of the plant. We will explore how they grow, what they need to live and how they vary.

We also explore the different types of rock, how they formed and investigate fossils.