

ENGLISH

The children will analyse a variety of newspaper articles to identify the key features of journalistic writing. They will learn how to conduct their own research, including how to take notes in bullet-point form and rewrite these in their own words. Pupils will focus on how to structure their pieces using logical paragraphs with the help of subject sentences and formal language. Each child will write their newspaper story as a final piece, showcasing their new understanding and knowledge by incorporating journalistic features.

GEOGRAPHY

The children will explore Brazil's culture, geography and regional differences. They will analyse this country's regions, building on their 'Rural and Urban' knowledge. Pupils will study migration within Brazil and the Amazon Rainforest's indigenous people's lifestyles.

PE

During our outside PE sessions, the children will work on their cricket skills, developing their bowling and batting techniques and getting to grips with the rules of the game. Indoors, the children will complete their second half of the dance unit focusing on facial expression and spatial awareness.

PSHE

The "Healthy Me" topic teaches children about nutrition, exercise and healthy living. Pupils will discuss issues such as smoking and alcohol and their effects. Children will also look at mental health and emotions. Discussions in class will centre on living a happy, healthy life.

MUSIC

During this half-term the focus will be on ear training (aural skills to identify pitch, intervals, chords and rhythm), through singing and playing the guitar and ukulele. Pupils will continue to use music notation as a resource and continue to develop their ability to read and recognise the notes in a piece of music.

FRENCH

Pupils will learn to give and follow directions and use comparative language, which they will practise as they explore different French-speaking countries.

MATHEMATICS

In maths, pupils will learn how to calculate the area and perimeter of rectangles and composite shapes. Furthermore, they will learn how to work out these measurements and use them to solve problems in the real world. The children will keep developing their approximation skills by estimating the area of rectangles and comparing their estimates to the real measurements. The children will continue to explain their reasoning in class discussions and group work to consolidate their understanding.

COMPUTING

Pupils will explore digital database history, comparing it to modern examples like cloud data systems. They will then create and access their own flat-file databases and will be challenged to query their databases by combining sorting and grouping skills to locate relevant records.

RE

'How do Christians try to follow Jesus' example?' is this half-term's RE question. Pupils will learn about Christians' inspirations and how they follow Jesus. Storytelling will provide an insight into the life of Christ and his teachings.

SCIENCE

Continuing this half-term, we will further explore 'Earth and Space.' Pupils will research, document and present data about the moon, Mars, and other celestial bodies. Pupils will gain an understanding of why we experience day and night, investigate seasonal changes and get to grips with the vast distances within our solar system. Additionally, they will delve into the lives of renowned astronomers worldwide through research.

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