

ENGLISH

Children will study poetic styles this half-term. They will learn about the poet Philip Gross and the sources of inspiration for his work. Pupils will create their own poetry, prepare readings of their work, and collaborate to compile their poems into a class anthology. Children will focus on developing the skills of intonation, emphasis, tone and style of delivery when reading and performing their poems in front of an audience during our Poetry Slam competition.

GEOGRAPHY

In geography, our focus is on rivers and their landscape effects. Pupils will visit Carpenter's Lock to study local waterways and river features, including the River Thames flood risks and protective barriers. Research on famous global rivers using varied resources will also be included.

PE

The children will be focusing on developing skills in tag rugby and badminton. In tag rugby the priority will be on throwing and catching, as well as running with the ball. In badminton they will learn the different types of shots and serves.

PSHE

This half term, as part of our 'Changing Me' unit, pupils will learn about how boys' and girls' bodies change during puberty and understand the importance of taking care of themselves physically and emotionally. They will discuss their self-image and how to develop strategies to boost their self-esteem.

MUSIC

During music lesson the children will continue to work on two mainstream pop songs. With these songs, they will have the opportunity to sing and strum chords on a guitar, performing as soloists, as well as accompanying a given melody. The aim is to create a lively rhythmic atmosphere.

FRENCH

This term, children will compose a written piece about their family incorporating previously learned words and new vocabulary.

MATHEMATICS

During this term, in our 'Measurement' unit, children will learn to convert between different units of metric measure and approximate equivalences between metric units and common imperial units of length, volume and mass. Using journaling, they will be encouraged to explain their reasoning when solving problems, for example when converting units of time. Additionally, pupils will use all four operations to solve problems involving measurements using decimal notation, including scaling. Throughout the term, children will continue rapid recall of the times tables.

COMPUTING

Pupils will learn how computers can be used to edit and adjust photographs for different purposes, from basic changes like cropping and rotating, to more in-depth work like applying photo filters. They will apply their skills to design their own book cover or poster for a given purpose.

RE

'Thankfulness' will be explored from religious and non-religious perspectives, focusing on collaboration and pupil-led discussions. Children will investigate the impact of beliefs on behaviour and comprehend and contrast views on gratitude from other world views.

SCIENCE

Children will enrich their knowledge of lifecycles and explore the necessity for reproduction in our 'Animals including Humans' unit. They will delve into the human lifecycle, drawing comparisons with those of other species. This in-depth study will enhance their understanding of the significance of reproduction in sustaining life across various organisms as well as providing an understanding of the diversity within the animal kingdom.

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