



<p><u>English</u> We will kick off this half term with the animated film of ‘Piano’ depicting the reflections of a senior retired army soldier who recounts his life while playing his favourite music piece. Children will be writing a narrative piece by recounting the events. After that, we will move on to the class novel ‘The Boy at the Back of the Class’ by Onjali Rauf. They will be writing a recount in the form of a diary entry on the boy’s experience of starting a new school.</p>	<p><u>Maths</u> This term we will continue to improve the mental strategies in addition and subtraction and become familiar with quick calculations. Once secure, we will be focusing on multiplication and division methods where children will revisit and embed their knowledge on short and long multiplication and division methods.</p>	<p><u>Science</u> In science, the children will be learning about electricity: In this unit, children will use symbols to represent components of a circuit including batteries, wires, bulbs and switches. Children will learn about the importance of switches for conserving energy and for safety reasons. They will build their understanding of batteries and their voltage and also make and evaluate their own electrical device.</p>
<p><u>History</u> We will be studying local history with a focus on our changing environment since 1900. The children will be thinking about what was on the site prior to the school being built and what distinct differences there were subsequently. We will also be having a look at some old school records.</p>	<p><u>Music</u> This term we will learn about music notation between Middle C and G in the treble clef. Children will follow and perform simple rhythmic scores to a steady beat and maintain individual parts accurately within the rhythmic texture, achieving a sense of ensemble. Half way through the term we will start preparing for our Christmas Concert.</p>	<p><u>Physical Education (PE)</u> In PE, the children will be learning the skills of basketball. They will learn to play competitive games and apply basic principles for attacking and defending. In addition, they will be exploring the personal skills through physical education.</p>
<p><u>Computing</u> In computing, the children will be introduced to the creation of websites for a chosen purpose. Children will identify what makes a good web page and use this information to design and evaluate their own website using Google Sites. Throughout the process, children will pay specific attention to copyright and fair use of media, the aesthetics of the site, and navigation paths.</p>	<p><u>Personal Social Health Education (PSHE)</u> In the unit, ‘Health and Well-being’, the children will explore parliamentary debates such as looking at influential members like Diane Abbott. They will explore how humans are different and similar. In addition, they will understand the importance of online safety.</p>	<p><u>Spanish</u> In Spanish, the children will be exploring regular verbs and using games, activities and role-play to express these regular verbs. They will use them in phrases and communicate with each other confidently focusing on pronunciation.</p>
<p><u>Design and Technology</u> This term, the children will be learning about ‘Design Brief’ where they will be learning to design and make an automaton toy for the local museum. The children will be applying their knowledge of mechanisms and in particular cam mechanisms, to design and make an automaton toy.</p>	<p><u>Religious Education (RE)</u> The children will be exploring the unit Humanism and discuss and define Humanism and what Humanists believe. They will speak about how Humanists respond to the principal ethical dilemmas that face humanity and understand different Humanist ceremonies.</p>	<p><u>Ideas for home support</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Encourage discussion with your child when pronouncing new words if their reasonable attempt does not sound correct.• Practice multiplication and division facts up to 12 times table. Support your child’s revision of learning on SATS Companion, engage and access with your child’s posts.