



Our curriculum at Meadowbank Primary School is designed collaboratively between children and the teaching team. Children are taught skills to access, process and express their knowledge within a learning environment where independence and thinking skills are developed.

Teaching Phase: Upper Key Stage Two

Year Group: 6

Teachers: Mrs Cawley and Mrs Taylor-Duffy

Date: January 2024

Big Question: Where in the world?

Connected Concepts: Cause and Effect

English - Our book study is...

The Explorer
by Katherine Rundell

English - In Reading we are learning...

To retrieve key information from a text with speed and accuracy.
To develop the use of PEE and PETERS structures to develop inferences in detail.
To develop fluency when reading aloud and understanding writers content.

English - In Writing we are learning...

To write non-chronological reports on deserts and rivers.
To use figurative language to write powerful and emotive descriptions.
To write a survival guide, using a mix of genre styles for survival the harsh elements.

In Personal, Social, Health and Economic Education we are learning...

About the positive and negative effects on physical, mental & emotional health.
List the commonly available substances and drugs that are legal and illegal.
Describe the effects and risks of these.
Understand that pressure to behave in an unacceptable, unhealthy or risky way can come from a variety of sources.

Mathematics - In Number we are learning...

To understand ratio and proportion and apply this to problem solving.
To scale up and down ratio relationships to re-scale shapes.
To identify the properties of 2D and 3D shapes.
Generate and describe linear sequences.

Mathematics - In Measurement we are learning...

To calculate area and perimeter of 2D shapes.
To calculate volume of 3D shapes.
Apply understanding of ratio and proportion to calculate new measurements and sizes of shapes.

In Science we are learning...

Classify and organise animals and organisms into categories.
Describe how living things are classified into groups.
Explore animal habitats for deserts and rainforests; and identify food chains and adaptive traits.
Explore living things in the local habitat.

In Relationships and Sex Education we are learning...

To understand how to identify problems that concern me and know who I can speak to share and voice these.



In Religious Education, Beliefs and Values we are learning...

To explore racism and stereotyping within religion.
Understand the Colston and Wesley statues and their significance.
Explore St Peter and his beliefs on God having no favourites.
Recognise the Golden and Silver Rule.
Can following the Golden Rule reduce racism?

In Geography we are learning...

Recognise countries, biomes and climate of South America.
Identify the key landscapes areas using Primary Atlases. :-The Andes, The Amazon Rainforest, The Atacama Desert,
Distinguish between physical and human geographical features of South America, sorting items into each category and justifying ideas.
Explore the different trades.

In Physical Education we learning...

Develop skills of Volleyball including: fast cast volley, the dig, set shot, rally and serving.
Demonstrate a sense of rhythm and energy when performing bhangra style motifs.
Perform a bhangra dance, showing an awareness of timing, formations and direction.

In French we are learning...

To speak confidently and clearly when greeting others, naming common nouns and to compose sentences with noun and adjectives.

In Computing we are learning...

To develop algorithms and sequences in coding.
To understand the use of variables to determine codes and outcomes

In History we are learning...

Explore a timeline of world discoveries for deserts and rivers across the world.
Explore the role of rivers in the evolution of industry and transport.
Explore the culture of those living in the Amazon and how it has changed over time, comparing to that of us.

In Art and Design and Design and Technology we are learning...

To explore and evaluate Stephanie Peters abstract art.
To experiment with a range of paint strokes and blotting to create texture.
To plan and make adaptations for an abstract representation.
To use a range of techniques and mediums to create an abstract representation.

In Music we are learning...

To listen and respond to music.
To identify timing, pace and tone.
To comment on song choices.
To sing in unison.
To perform with instruments.

Special events for children...

Bible Encounters Assembly 12.01.24
Friends of Meadowbank Movie night UKS2 4.30-6.00 pm 01.02.24
NSPCC's Number Day (Year 3's chosen charity) 02.02.24
Children's Mental Health Week W/B 05.02.24
National Online Safety Day 06.02.24
Young Voices Arena Concert 06.02.24

Events for parents in school...

Key Stage 2 Mathematics Work shop. Come along and find out how we teach maths fluency and mastery in Years 3-6, followed by a visit to the classroom.
9:00-10:15am on 17.01.24
Young voices performance in school 08.02.24

Home School Learning...

Daily reading.
Children should all have their SPAG.com and MYMaths logins now which they can use to complete home learning.

Additional Information...

Children will need PE kits in school for indoor PE on a Monday and outdoor PE on a Thursday.
Reading records should be in school every day.