



Monkton CEP School
Class 2 - Dragonfly Class Newsletter
'Every child is special'



Our Creative Curriculum - Street Detectives

Grab a magnifying glass, put on your deerstalker and change your name to Sherlock because we're going to become street detectives!

This half term, we'll follow a route around our local streets and take pictures of the buildings, businesses and plants we can see. Talking to residents about the area will help us understand how the local community could be improved. We'll learn nursery rhymes, write poetry and create persuasive adverts. Looking at photographs will help us to spot any similarities and differences between the houses and shops of today and the past. We'll find out about the history of our school and talk to former pupils about their experiences. We'll also study and draw maps, draw portraits of the people we have met and look at the work of urban artists.

At the end of our project, we'll design posters to advertise a 'Big spring clean' around school before cleaning and tidying the school grounds.

English

Linked to Street Detectives:

Recounts and captions
Nursery rhymes
Instructions
Adverts
Diaries

Core Texts:

Flat Stanley by Jeff Brown

Also: Paddington Goes to Town - Michael Bond; The Elves and the Shoemaker - Vera Southgate and Robert Lumley

Mathematics

Continuing with **Money**

Multiplication and division

Counting in multiples 2,3,4,5,10
Arrays
Multiplication and division sign

Statistics

Block graphs
Tally charts
Pictograms

Length and height

length - cm, mm and m

Science

Everyday materials and Plants
How do Plants grow in Winter? Children observe how plants grow from bulbs and learn why plants that grow from bulbs can start growing in winter.

Computing

We are researchers

By working in groups children will develop research skills through searching the internet and develop presentation skills by creating and developing a short presentation.

RE

GOSPEL - What is the good news that Jesus brings?

This includes telling stories from the Bible and talking about their meaning, describing how Christians show their beliefs and whether Jesus' good news matters to anyone other than Christians.

PE

The children will be working with our sports coaches and Miss Jenks. They will be looking at Gymnastics- balance and beams.

PE Day is a Thursday.

Foundation subjects- Street Detectives

History - Changes within living memory; Significant people; Places and events in the local area

A&D - Famous local artists; Creating views from the local area

D&T - Making models; Baking; Making signs; Designing buildings

Geography - Fieldwork in the local area; Human and physical features; Using and making maps; Aerial images

PSHE - Belonging to a community; Improving the local area

Science- Everyday materials; Plants

Music - Play songs and performance

PSHE - Too much selfie isn't healthy - HeartSmart Scheme

Vocabulary

Below are some words that the children will come across during their learning:

Maths

Array

metre

centimetres

Pictogram

Block graph

Multiply

Divide

English

Recount

Information

Non-chronological

Persuasive

Fiction/Non-fiction

Mnemonics

Rhyme

Street Detectives

Aerial

community

construction

council

detective

habitat

landmark

mayor

questionnaire

retailer

route

survey

thatch

Dates for the diary

1.2.20 - 5.2.20 - Home learning due in

9.2.20 - Safer Internet Day

10.2.20 - Class 2's Performance of Moon Thieves. filmed or live dependent on Covid situation