Half Term Overview



English

In English we will be sharing 'The Secret of Black Rock' by Joe Todd Stanton. We will explore and develop the vocabulary within the story to plan and write our own version as narrators. We will also use this text to help us to write a diary entry as the main character.

Phonics: We will continue with our Little Wandle learning and prepare for the 2024 Phonics Screening Test.

Reading Comprehension:

Maths

In maths we will begin with exploring mass and capacity through lots of practical work. We will revise our addition and subtraction skills before moving onto multiplication and division. This will develop skills in counting in multiples of twos, fives and tens. We will solve problems involving multiplication and division, by calculating the answer using concrete objects, pictorial representations and arrays.

We will begin to explore fractions and understand how to find halves and quarters of shapes, objects and quantities. We will use these skills to solve real life problems and to enjoy working practically.

Our work on position and direction will allow us to develop vocabulary and give clear instructions. We will begin to understand how shapes and objects can be turned and use our new vocabulary to describe these rotations accurately.

ICT

In ICT we will focus on Digital Writing. We will learn how to use a word processor and to identify the keys on a keyboard. We will work on how to change the look of text including changing fonts. We will use editing tools to insert and undo text and produce a piece of digital writing.

Important Information

PE will be on **Monday** and **Thursday** Children will need to come to school in PE Kits on these days.

Reading- Please ensure that children have their book bags and reading diaries in school every day and that they have been signed after each read.

Spellings- Children will have weekly spellings which will be tested every Friday.

Dojo-Please check Dojo for class messages and to see photographs of everything your wonderful children have been learning!

Year 1

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Paws, Claws and Dinosaurs

PE / Music

PE with Mrs Stitchman will focus on playing games involving different skills – attacking and defending, following rules and cooperating with teammates.

Mrs McKay will be working on jumping and skipping techniques, and how to apply them to games and activities. Our music lessons will focus on *Nautilus* by Anna Meredith. We will perform actions to music, reinforce a sense of beat and pitch change and also develop 'drawing to music' skills.

PSHE

In our PSHE lessons we will continue our Jigsaw journey to explore good relationships. We will discuss and reflect on friendships including how to make friends, solving problems when they occur and including others in a friendship group. We will identify ways to respect others and know how to help ourselves and others when feeling hurt or upset.

Science

In our science lessons we will finding out about different types of animals and their characteristics. We will discover how to sort and categorize animals, find out what they eat and how certain characteristics, behaviours and senses help them to survive.

RF

Our RE lessons will be considering Old Testament figures from the bible and their role as messengers. We will read lots of different stories and practice retelling through words, pictures, drama and crafts. We will discuss the meanings and messages that may be taken from these stories and what these messages may mean to different people.

We will discuss world celebrations and events including
Eid al-Fitr (10th- 11th April) and Saint George's day 23rd April,

Art/DT

Our art project 'Flora and Fauna' will enable us to work towards a collaborative piece based on the plants and minibeasts in our natural world. We will combine our ideas, talents and skills in sketching, drawing and using a range of media. We will have the chance to pursue our interests and preferred ways of working creatively in addition to developing new skills and exploring other artists' work.

History

Our history focus will be Mary Anning and her amazing discoveries. We will learn that Mary's fossils provided evidence that dinosaurs existed millions of years ago. We will find out that her work formed the basis of paleontology throughout the world and paved the way for women to be recognized as scientists.