



Literacy

In our Literacy, we will begin the year by reading A Bear Called Paddington. We will study the book in lots of different ways and produce character descriptions, letters and diary entries linked to the book. Our final writing outcome will be to write our own Paddington adventure story. Our next book will be Coming to England, linked to Black History month and we will write a biography about Floella Benjamin.

Children will continue to have daily spelling, handwriting and SPAG lessons and guided reading sessions once a week.

Maths

In Maths, we begin the year by consolidating our place value skills on numbers to 100 before extending our knowledge by mastering place value working on numbers up to and including 1000.

We will then focus on addition and subtraction. Aiming for mastery of adding and subtracting 1's, 10's and 100's including on missing numbers problems.

We will also be recapping and revisiting x2, x5, x10 during this half term.

R.E.

We begin the year with the topic Homes and we explore how God is present in every home and how this is expressed in the love that binds the family together within the home through good times and bad times. ***'And now I give you a commandment: love one another, as I have loved you.'*** Our next topic will be studying the religion of Judaism when we will learn about the Synagogue which is the Jewish special place of worship.

Music

Let your spirit fly. Our learning in this unit is focused around one song: Let Your Spirit Fly - an R&B song for children. During this unit we will also be listening to music in the same genre from artists such as Barry White and Marvin Gaye. We will be working with and without instruments to learn and improvise on our core song before performing the song at the end of the unit for an audience. We will also enhance our musical development by learning the Ukulele with our specialist teacher Mrs. Galea.

P.S.H.E

Our PSHE topic is healthy and happy friendships. During this topic we will look at what being a good friend is, personal space and strategies for developing resilience. We will also continue with our My Happy Mind work. Our next unit is called relate and we will be learning how important empathy is in when we relate to others using our brains.

Computing

We will begin our computing in year 3 by refreshing and improving our typing skills. We will then look at on-line safety: the importance of passwords, thinking about how we are communicating online, asking ourselves if everything we read online is true and evaluating content ratings and what is and isn't appropriate online.

French

We begin the year with an introduction to the French language with, J'apprends le Français (I am learning French) In this unit pupils will learn how to: 1) pinpoint France and other French speaking countries on a map of the world 2) ask and answer the question 'How are you?' in French. 3) say 'Hello' and 'Goodbye' in French. 4) ask and answer the question 'What is your name?' in French. 5) count to 10 in French. 6) say 10 colours in French.

P.E.

In PE we will be improving our attacking skills by learning through the invasion game of basketball. Learning how as an individual and small team we can outwit opponents with a variety of passes and movement. We will also be focusing on the character value of determination. In our second PE of the half term, we will be learning through OAA. Taking on the trust and trails unit. Learning to trust each other in tricky situations and follow trails around our school grounds



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There's No Place Like Home

Topic – Geography /History

Our topical work this half term, focuses on both geography and history of our local area. We will investigate the geography of the local area using a variety of maps, aerial photos and satellite imagery. Learning about where we are in the world and looking at the physical and human geography of our local area.

We will then take a historical approach to the local area. Increasing our understanding of the past by looking at changes between and across time periods. We investigate how Preston and has changed from past to present

Science

This half term we will be learning about light and develop our understanding of: Why we need light to see things? Why the sun is dangerous for our eyes? How shadows are formed? Why shadows are sometimes long and sometimes short? As part of our Science enquiry we will be looking at relevant questions and use different types of scientific enquiries to answer questions and report our findings, results and conclusions in a written explanation.

Art

This half term we will be focusing on our drawing skills: Experimenting with the potential of various pencils and using close observational skills to draw both in the the positive and negative. We will be producing Initial sketches as a preparation for adding colour and then. Looking to draw in proportion and accurately. With a particular focus on drawings of people – particularly faces through portraits.