

English

Writing: In our English lessons, we will be writing for a range of purposes. Relevant grammar will be incorporated, and there will also be a focus on handwriting this term. We will start by writing a narrative inspired by a short, animated film. We will then move on to analysing and creating a newspaper report.

Reading: In Guided Reading lessons, we will explore a variety of short texts. This term we will particularly look at non-fiction texts, some of which will link with our science topic. We will use these texts to help us improve our understanding: by retrieving facts, using evidence to infer, summarising information and explaining some of the choices of the authors.

DT

In DT this term, we will be creating our own vegan tortilla dish (inspired by Mayan food), using healthy, seasonal ingredients. The children will have a chance to try several different vegan foods and think about taste as well as texture before deciding on a combination for their tortilla filling. After making their dishes, they will evaluate and refine their recipes.

PSHE

In PSHE, the topic is 'Being Me in My World'. The children will have opportunities to think about and discuss their hopes and dreams—for the year ahead and in the longer term.

French

In French, the children will recap some of their work from previous years, using basic sentences to have simple conversations. They will learn about different locations in a town and how to ask about and give directions.

Science

This term our topic is Evolution and Inheritance. Through a mixture of investigations and research, children will find out about how characteristics are inherited from parents and how variation occurs randomly in offspring. Throughout the topic, they will link this to the evolution of different species in the plant- and animal world. Furthermore, the children will learn about the work of Charles Darwin and the evidence that exists for his theory.

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Mayans

RE

We will look at the overarching question: What is the best way for a Muslim to show commitment to God? Through this, we will be exploring values such as the rule of law, mutual respect and tolerance of different faiths and beliefs.

Music

There will be a range of musical styles for the children to explore and analyse and they will learn about tempo, rhythm and the structure of each musical piece. They will use their voices in addition to musical instruments to learn to perform a piece of music.

Maths

The children will begin the term by studying number and place value, in larger numbers as well as decimals. Having a good grasp of the values of digits in different numbers will set a good foundation for the rest of the year. A good understanding of simple manipulation of numbers is also important, and the children will build on their knowledge of factors, multiples and prime numbers. Later in the term, we will introduce the basic operations of multiplication and division, and how to calculate using formal methods.

PE

The activities focussed on this term will be football, cross country and circuit training.

History

This term the children will be learning about the ancient civilisation of the Maya. They will consider whether or not Mayan society could be deemed to be civilised and in doing so, will compare the Maya to other historical civilisations around the world. They will deepen their understanding of time and how events have occurred concurrently across different locations, making links between features of past societies. Moreover, they will think about which sources are reliable when finding



Dates to remember

Parents' evenings:
12th and 14th October



Reading records should be completed at home at least 5 times a week. Children should also practise their weekly spellings.

Homework will be set and handed in on Purple Mash.

Computing

As well as e-safety, where we will look specifically at self-image and identity, the children will use coding to design, create and evaluate a computer game. They will incorporate a timer and instruction boxes into their games.