

ENGLISH

The children will explore narrative poetry, in particular 'The Highwayman' by Alfred Noyes. They will investigate how poets use imagery to affect their audience and learn how to turn a narrative poem into a story. Additionally, the children will be improving their imaginative writing skills, with the focus on Treasure Island, a classic pirate tale written by Robert Louis Stevenson. The children will re-invent their own main character for the story. A particular focus on the use of similes, metaphors, adjectives and conjunctions will result in more detailed sentences.

HISTORY

The children will be learning about the Industrial Revolution. They will find out about the changes that took place from the 1750s to the early 1900s and how Britain became a superpower. We will focus on how transport, living standards, the life of workers and children changed during this era. The 'Great Stink' and its consequences to the inhabitants of London will be explored.

SCIENCE

In the science topic 'Properties and Changes of Materials', the children will revise features of the three states of matter: solid, liquid & gas, and carry out some enquiries related to their properties. In addition, the children will use a science laboratory to investigate separating materials and discuss reversible and irreversible changes.

MATHEMATICS

The focus this half term will be on solving multi-step word problems involving measures and the children will learn how to convert different imperial and metric units of measures. They will also collect data which they will then present in a range of formats. They will then develop their ability to interpret data and answer questions about different graphs, charts and tables. The children will continue to extend their understanding of the four operations and how to use short written methods to get to the correct answer in the most efficient way.

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The children will explore stories from a range of religious traditions such as the story of Adam and Eve (Judeo-Christian), the story of Bilal (Islam) and the story of the Buddha and Kisagotami (Buddhist). In each, they will be encouraged to look for levels of meaning and to apply what they have learnt to their own experiences.

ART AND DESIGN

The children will be investigating the work of artists like L.S. Lowry and look at other forms of landscape artwork. They will use a variety of art materials to sketch industrial landscapes in the style of Lowry and other prominent artists.

COMPUTING

The children will be creating their own app using AppMaker. The programme will teach them a number of skills such as word processing, word alignment, changing text size and saving work on cloud-based software.

PE

For outdoor PE, the children will develop their passing and throwing accuracy with a particular focus on netball. They will be taught about positional play, tactics and the importance of teamwork. For indoor PE, the children will learn to create sequential travelling movements to music when performing a sequence of dance movements with a particular focus on line dancing.