

ENGLISH

This half term the children will be reading myths and legends and identifying the key features. After using drama to help them develop their story ideas, they will then write their own original examples of each of these genres, using ambitious vocabulary to make their work more interesting for the reader. They will also be learning how to include dialogue within their stories, using the correct punctuation and layout.

HISTORY

The children are exploring the impact of the Roman invasion on Britain. They will begin by finding out where Rome is and how it was founded. They will be using secondary sources to discover more about the Roman army and Celts. The children will study Queen Boudicca and her role in leading the revolt against the Romans. They will also look at the lasting legacy of the invasion. To support our learning, we plan to visit the Museum of London and also host a Romans Day Workshop at school for the children to take part in.

SCIENCE

As part of our topic 'Animals and Humans' Year 3 will learn that humans and other animals have skeletons and muscles for support, protection and movement. They will work scientifically to identify and group animals with and without skeletons and observe and compare their movement. They will also explore ideas about what would happen if humans did not have skeletons.

MATHEMATICS

In maths the children will continue to apply their times table knowledge and understanding of place value to develop a written method to multiply two-digit numbers by single-digit numbers e.g. 48×3 . They will also use these skills to divide. Once these methods become secure, the children will then use the strategies they have learnt to solve word problems, showing that they can relate their learning to real-life situations.

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COMPUTING

In our 'Typing Skills and Word Processing' unit the children will learn how to use Microsoft Word. They will focus on learning important basic computer skills, including formatting text, file storage and organisation. They will also create, open, save, move and delete files.

ART AND DESIGN

Linked to our history topic, the children will discuss mosaics as an art form brought to Britain by the Romans, looking particularly at borders. They will explore and develop different border patterns to use for a large printed mosaic. The children will also practise the technique of printing individual small squares using a printing stick and create their own mosaic design using miniature tiles.

PE

In outdoor PE, the children will be learning the techniques of how to play netball e.g. catch, pass, bounce and shoot with control. Indoors, they will use core strength linked to gymnastics elements and attempt to use rhythm while performing simple sequences.

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We will explore the power of stories and sayings to challenge people to think about the way they lead their lives. In particular, the children will focus on Christian parables and Buddhist teachings. They will compare and make links between the two, identifying the message behind the stories and then writing their own story with a moral.