

ENGLISH

The English focus this half term is adventure stories. The children will read and investigate the structure of a variety of this text type while identifying common themes in them. They will plan the key points in a story and explore character's thoughts, feelings and actions. They will also ensure that their adventure stories flow by including an opening, build-up, dilemma, events and resolution. During the unit, the children will be focusing on using paragraphs and fronted adverbials.

HISTORY

The children will explore Britain's settlement by the Anglo-Saxons and Scots. They will develop their knowledge of chronology by ordering dates and events on a timeline. In addition, they will learn about who the Saxons were and find out why they came to England; aspects of their daily life such as village life, clothing, religion; the Saxon army; famous Saxon leaders; Saxon stories and the significance of archaeological finds at Sutton Hoo in Suffolk.

SCIENCE

As part of our topic 'Plants' this term, Year 3 are identifying the functions of different parts of plants. They will examine the requirements of plants for life and growth (air, light, nutrients from soil and room to grow) and how these vary from plant to plant, as well as the ways in which water is transported within plants. Whilst studying flowers, we are looking at pollination, seed formation and seed dispersal. The children will visit Kew Gardens to support their learning in this curriculum area.

MATHEMATICS

In maths, the children will further consolidate their knowledge of addition and subtraction. They will apply this knowledge to adding and subtracting money and learn how to give change in practical contexts. We will continue to focus on telling and writing the time from 12-hour and 24-hour clocks. The children will also learn about data handling. They will design and carry out their own investigations, organising the data they collect and then presenting it using tables, charts and graphs.

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R.E.

This half term in RE the children will learn about some of the meanings of a wide range of signs and symbols in Christian and Muslim art. They will be encouraged to investigate examples of symbolic language and to deepen their understanding of some common religious concepts.

P.E.

In outdoor PE the children are developing the skills necessary to play cricket, such as batting and bowling with accuracy, fielding and catching. In indoor PE, the children will develop the techniques of how to jump, e.g. long jump and triple jump. Indoors, they will be learning about different types of exercise and then incorporating what they have learnt to create their own aerobic routines.

COMPUTING

The children will think about the safe use of email. They will learn how email can be used positively. Also they will become aware of some of its risks but also find out about how their exposure to such risks can be reduced. During this unit the children will write an email to another class.

ART AND DESIGN

This half term, the children's art work is linked to their history unit on the Anglo-Saxons. They will explore and develop ideas, using art and craft techniques such as weaving. They will use different materials to record information and add detail. The children will also compare their ideas and refine and adapt their own work.