

ENGLISH

The first area of study this half term will be looking at poetic style. The initial section looks at the purpose of poetry, introduces our focus poet, Philip Gross, and explores the things that inspire his writing. After that, the children will focus on poetry performance and lifting words off the page. The final part of the sequence encourages children to 'have a go' at writing their own poetry, preparing performances of their own writing and working to collate their poetry into a class anthology. In the second half of the term pupils will be writing film reviews. They will unpick the aspects of a film which a critic might comment on, before writing their own. Pupils will analyse why directors choose to zoom in and use particular angles and the impact of this on the viewer. The children will then write their own independent review.

GEOGRAPHY

This half term the children will be learning about rivers and the effects that they have on the landscape. They will begin by looking at the different features of a river and then study the characteristics of the River Thames in detail and why it is liable to flooding. We will use a variety of resources such as maps, atlases, aerial photographs and ICT to support learning.

PSHE

This half term, as part of our 'Changing Me' unit, pupils will learn about how boys' and girls' bodies change during puberty and understand the importance of taking care of themselves physically and emotionally. Additionally, they will discuss their self-image and how to develop strategies to boost their self-esteem.



MATHEMATICS

In maths, children will recap and expand their knowledge of numbers and place value. They will learn how to read, write, order and compare increasingly larger numbers, including those to at least 1,000,000. Pupils will also practise securing their understanding of the four key operations - addition, subtraction, multiplication and division. Time, percentages and measurement are other key topic areas that will be covered throughout the half term.

DESIGN AND TECHNOLOGY

Children will have the opportunity to cook and sample their own food with this unit of work on healthy pasties. After taste-testing a variety of fillings, the children will create their own recipes and bake them. They will then evaluate their products and suggest ways to improve them.

SCIENCE

The topic this term is 'Animals including Humans'. The children build on their knowledge of lifecycles from the previous unit and discuss why living things need to reproduce. They look in detail at the human life cycle, compare this with other animals and study the physical and emotional changes at puberty.

COMPUTING

Pupils will be taught the principles of digital photography, as well as understanding how to edit and manipulate their photographs for added effect including skills like cropping, filtering and collaging.

PE

The children will be focusing on athletics, learning how to set targets and improve their performance in a range of running, jumping and throwing activities. Pupils will also take part in football sessions where they will improve their skills of sending, receiving and travelling with the ball and develop understanding of the common skills and principles of invasion games including attack and defence.

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The children will learn about the life and teachings of the prophet Muhammad (pbuh) and develop their understanding of why he is significant for Muslims. They will explore the idea of role models and how Muhammad provides an example within the Islamic faith. Furthermore, they will examine the concept of revelations and religious experience, including the importance of quiet contemplation.