

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 the 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. The pupils will analyse why directors choose to zoom 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. The children will use a variety of resources such as maps, atlases, aerial photographs and ICT to support their learning.

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.

MATHEMATICS

The children will continue to explore measurement. We will begin by converting metric units of measurement, then revisit our learning of time. Next the children will be extending their knowledge of shape by finding perimeters and areas. The pupils will find the perimeter of shape they are familiar with, as well as compound shapes constructed from other polygons. This will lead into learning about the volume of solids and specific shapes such as rectangular boxes. The term 'capacity' is revisited in this, which will help pupils differentiate between 'volume' and 'capacity'. The unit ends with pupils solving increasingly challenging word problems related to volume.

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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.

DESIGN AND TECHNOLOGY

Our topic this term is 'Burgers'. The children will learn about nutrition and then design, create and evaluate their very own healthy burger which they will be cooking using ingredients of their own choice.

COMPUTING

To start the term the children will continue to learn how to be safe online and navigate the internet responsibly whilst building on the knowledge of how to build a website. Next we will explore blogging. The children will plan a project then create it by importing pictures, creating videos and recording their ideas on a blog.

PE

The children will be focusing on field and track events, learning how to set targets and improve their performance in a range of running, jumping and throwing activities. As in all athletic activities, the children will think about how to achieve the greatest speed, height, distance and accuracy.