

ENGLISH

This half-term's English topic will be Shakespearean plays, with a focus on Macbeth. The children will begin by reading the play and delving into the dilemmas and feelings of the characters. They will then investigate Shakespearean language and how it differs from late modern English, while performing and writing in the same style. The final English focus for the half term is on oracy. The children will develop their speaking and listening skills in preparation for the Christmas performance. They will practice to project their voice with clarity and perform in front of an audience.

SCIENCE

We will be studying the topic 'Changing Materials' this half term. The children will decide how to separate mixtures by filtering, sieving, and evaporating. They will also conduct experiments to demonstrate their understanding of soluble and insoluble materials.

PE

Children will continue to develop skills in gymnastics this half-term. They will also work on making the routines and balances they create more complicated. In football, pupils will learn how to play effectively in different positions and formations.

PSHE

During this half-term, we will think about the theme "Celebrating Difference." Pupils will talk and work together to discuss cultural differences, how they feel about different people and how they can all stand up to different kinds of bullying.

MUSIC

In preparation for composition and improvisation next term, children will sing and perform glockenspiel tunes that showcase notes on a diatonic scale. Bach, Beethoven, and others will be listened to for examples of how these composers used this scale in their work.

FRENCH

In the Space Exploration unit, pupils will be taken into space, giving them a chance to learn more about science and improve their French grammar skills. They will acquire vocabulary in French of space.

MATHEMATICS

Students will learn about fractions, decimals and percentages this half term. Fractions will be converted to decimals, and vice versa. The children will then work on word problems involving fractions, decimals and percentages. Pupils will be encouraged to ask pertinent questions and solve problems using logic as well as explain their reasoning clearly. We will also cover formal methods (columnar addition and subtraction) for adding and subtracting whole numbers with more than four digits.

COMPUTING

This new half term, pupils will learn more about how to code. They will be encouraged to use what they've learned about different kinds of coding in a project that will test their ability to think logically, creatively, and efficiently in order to complete many tasks.

RE

In RE lessons, students will learn about how Christmas is celebrated in different parts of the world. The children will look into things like "Why do Christians celebrate Christmas?" and "How do people in different countries celebrate this festival?"

HISTORY

Pupils will continue to learn about the monarchy's changing power in Britain. They will investigate the causes and consequences of major historical events, as well as their impact on the United Kingdom. We will also compare various accounts of events and attempt to offer reasons for the differences by examining a variety of sources. At the end of the unit, children will debate whether the monarchy should be abolished.

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