

ENGLISH

The children will be studying myths; the focus will be on Greek myths linked with our history topic. They will begin by exploring a range of techniques authors use to create atmosphere, such as figurative language. They will enhance their oracy skills by acting out and playing different characters from these stories. There will be a particular focus on how the children structure their narrative writing, with emphasis on colons, semi colons and embedded clauses. Furthermore, the children will be answering inference questions about a range of myths.

SCIENCE

In the science topic 'Living things and their habitats', children will be studying the life cycles of plants, mammals, amphibians and birds. They will learn about pollination and how plants create new seeds. As well as comparing life cycles of animals, they will also investigate the stages of metamorphosis of insects like the butterfly. Furthermore, the children will find out about Jane Goodall and other naturalists and their study of animals and their work to preserve species.

PE

In cricket, the children will be given the opportunity to improve their skills in batting, bowling and fielding. Through striking and fielding games, the children aim to outwit the opposition. They will also take part in a series of basketball lessons looking at dribbling with the ball using the correct technique, varying their speed, using a range of techniques to pass the ball with accuracy and control over a range of distances.

RE

The topic for this term is 'Thankfulness'. This unit gives children the chance to learn about religious and non-religious thoughts on this theme. It is focused around student-based discussions and gives a creative outcome at the end of the unit for pupils to express their learning and thoughts about religion and world views.

MATHEMATICS

This half term, pupils will continue to develop their knowledge of division by finding fractions of amount; they will deepen their understanding through problem solving. Also, they will be looking at angles including measuring them, investigating angles on a line, drawing them and investigating angles inside regular polygons. Next, they will move on to exploring position and movement. They will be naming and plotting points on a grid before moving onto the translation of a shape.

HISTORY

This half term our topic is Ancient Greece. The children will learn about the daily life of people during that time period and the beliefs they held. The differences between Sparta and Athens will be investigated and the children will research objects used by the Greeks during war. Furthermore, the children will create a timeline of key events that occurred in this era.

ART AND DESIGN

This unit will be based on Ancient Greek pottery. Pupils will be focusing on research of Ancient Greek pottery through to practicing skills such as gouging and scraping through to designing their own pot and finally finishing with creating their own papier-mâché Greek pot.

PERSONAL, SOCIAL AND HEALTH EDUCATION

Children will be thinking about the topic 'Healthy Me'. Focusing on different roles that food and substances can play in people's lives. In addition to this they will also study the unit titled 'Relationships' and compare different types of friendships and the feelings associated with them.

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COMPUTING

This half term, children will advance their understanding of a variety of digital sensors, and understand different applications for each. They will then apply this understanding to create path finding algorithms that will react to their surroundings.

