

ENGLISH

Linking with their work in music, the English focus this half term is traditional tales. The children will investigate the structure of these and identify common features. They will then plan the key events in a story and explore characters' thoughts, feelings and actions. Using a familiar story theme, the children will plan and write their own in the style of a traditional Indonesian tale. Finally, they will perform their stories in an Indonesian shadow puppetry show.

GEOGRAPHY

During our topic 'What makes the Earth angry?' the children will be learning about natural disasters and what volcanoes, earthquakes and tsunamis are and how they are caused. The children will be studying world maps to locate famous earthquakes and volcanoes and then plot them on a map.

SCIENCE

The children will be focusing on light this half term. They will learn about how shadows are formed and why they move throughout the course of the day. They will gain an understanding of different forms of light and the dangers of looking directly at the sun. They will apply this learning when creating and using their shadow puppets.

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PE

All P.E. sessions will be outdoors this term, with year 3 focusing on athletics. Children will develop their ability to sprint and run in longer races as well as gaining a firmer grasp of the skills needed for relay. They will also practise the accuracy of their throwing and try to increase the distance of their standing jumps.

MATHEMATICS

The children will develop an understanding of place value by learning how to recognise the value of each digit in a three-digit number (hundreds, tens, ones). There will be a focus on counting in different multiples (such as 10, 25, 50 and 100). The relationship between multiplication and division will also be explored. The children will learn the 3 times tables and consolidate their knowledge of the 2, 5 and 10 times tables and their associated division facts.

COMPUTING

This half term, children will be introduced to online safety concepts like reporting and blocking unsafe content, as well as learning basic web browsing skills such as the use of hyperlinks, tabs and the address bar.

DESIGN AND TECHNOLOGY

The children will take part in an exciting project exploring Indonesian music, culture and storytelling. They will design and create their own shadow puppets and use these to perform a story whilst playing interludes of music on traditional Gamelan instruments.

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The children will study Judaism, gaining an understanding of how Jewish people celebrate their beliefs at home and in the Synagogue. They will also explore a range of Jewish festivals such as Rosh Hashanah. In addition, they will learn about the importance of the Torah to Jewish people.