

ENGLISH

This half-term, pupils will be introduced to a selection of Roman myths and legends. They will identify key features in mythical tales and then incorporate these in their own stories. Children will work collaboratively and use drama as a way to explore and create their own original mythical tales. Year 3 will be using ambitious and descriptive language to make their work more interesting for the reader. Additionally, children will include dialogue in their stories and work on using punctuation accurately. This learning will also enhance their understanding of paragraphs and how to use them.

HISTORY

Year 3 will explore the impact of the Roman invasion on Britain. They will examine artefacts and secondary sources, as well as find out where Rome is and how it was founded. They will experience the life of Romans when we dress up and participate in our Roman Day workshop on Thursday 30th January.

PE

During indoor PE, the children will learn to practice and put together a dance performance. Outside, pupils will be introduced to OAA (Outdoor Adventurous Activities), developing a range of physical and mental skills.

PSHE

Our topic this half term is 'Dreams and Goals'. The children will be given the opportunity to think about what they would like to achieve in both the short and long term. They will also consider what people need to do in order to realise their dreams.

MUSIC

The main area of learning is harmony, which the children will develop through singing (Are you sleeping, brother John?) and playing on the glockenspiel. Year 3 will be introduced to the concepts of dynamics and movement, adding to the understanding of tempo previously acquired.

FRENCH

The children will be improving their counting in French and learning to ask someone's age or give their own, as well as finding out about popular playground games.

MATHEMATICS

Children will continue to develop their understanding of addition and subtraction this half-term. They will be encouraged to use known partitioning strategies for adding two and three-digit numbers and will learn that subtraction calculations can be solved using a 'finding the difference' strategy. Pupils will also begin to learn that any numbers can be added together using the 'column addition' method and that, if any column sums to ten or greater, that they must 'regroup'. LBQ (our Maths online platform) will continue to be used to develop home learning.

COMPUTING

In computing, pupils will be learning about how to express themselves creatively and clearly, using desktop publishing software in a variety of different ways, to create fact files about their favourite Roman inventions. They will be introduced to numerous methods to apply text formatting and experiment with layout.

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Pupils will explore the power of stories and sayings; how do they challenge people to examine the way they live? In particular, the children will focus on discussing and comparing Christian parables and Buddhist teachings.

SCIENCE

Year 3 will learn that humans and other animals have skeletons and muscles for support, protection and movement. Pupils will work scientifically to identify and group animals with no skeleton, endoskeletons and exoskeletons. They will learn that joints are the points where two bones meet and this allows us to move. Pupils will learn that different types of joints in our body (hinge, pivot, ball and socket) help us move in different ways.

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