

Spring

English Reading

Our reading focus text for the first half term will be a non-fiction text called 'Volcanoes'. The children will focus initially on retrieval skills before moving on to sequencing and inference skills.

Our second text is Ariki and the Island of wonders!



This Term's Books!



English Writing

During the first term in Spring we will be focusing on fantasy settings. We will focus on a text by Pie Corbett called the Magician's Shop. We will then create our very own magical, fantasy setting. Our non-fiction unit for the half term will continue with the same theme and we will be working on persuasive writing. We will be looking at trip advisor reviews and creating our own, based on our own setting work.

Maths

We will be continuing to work hard on our times tables throughout the term, increasing speed and accuracy with our recall of all multiplication facts up to 12x12. During our maths lessons, we will begin learning about graphs, looking at pictograms, bar and line graphs. We will then move on to fractions; finding equivalent fractions, simplifying improper and mixed number fractions and adding and subtracting. Our next unit will be time! The children will be learning to read the 24 hour clock and convert time from minutes to seconds and hours to minutes.



Science



This term we will be learning about Sound!

We will be learning how sound travels and carrying out investigations into how we can change the pitch of sound.

This Term's work is linked to the Scientist...



RE

To begin the spring term the children will be building on their knowledge of Islam from previous years. We will be looking at 'Why Muslims fast during Ramadan' and linking this to our theme of sacrifice. The children will look how this is similar and what the differences are to the other religions we have studied previously and also how this links to their everyday life.

During the second half term, we will be looking at Christianity and exploring what is meant by 'Love Thy Neighbour'



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Physical Education

This half term, the children will all complete a fitness unit. We will look at why fitness is important and how we can incorporate different elements of fitness into every day life. The children will work on their agility and speed when completing different sporting activities. The children will also complete a golf unit, learning the basic rules of golf and working on precision to hopefully score a hole in one!

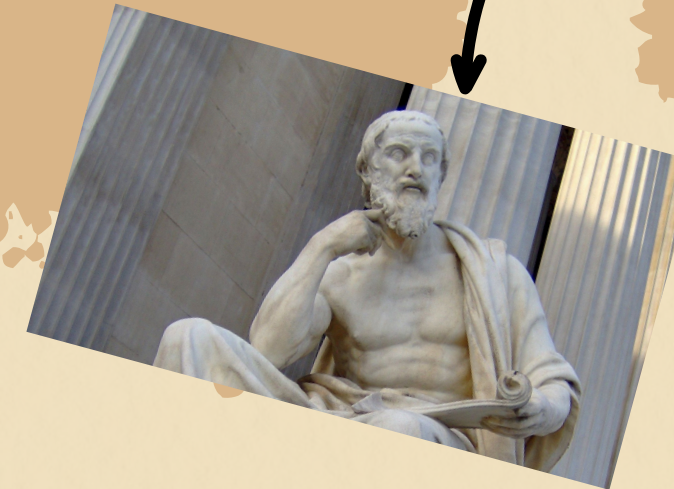
The year 3/4 class will also complete their forest school unit.

History

In History, our unit is Ancient Greece. We will be focussing on these key questions:

- Why was life different for Athenian and Spartan children?
- Which of our British Values did the Ancient Greeks influence
- How did the Greeks sporting achievements influence the world?

This Term's Historian....



Geography

During Spring 2, we will be learning about our unit 'Are all settlements the same?'

Throughout this unit, we will focus on cities within the UK as well as different types of land and geographical regions. We will then learn about New Delhi and find some similarities and differences between the land use in our local area and New Delhi.



Modern Foreign Languages

Bonjour!

The children will continue with our Bon Anniversaire unit. The children will recognise, say and write the months of the year and will be able to say when they were born. We will also extend our knowledge of numbers from 20 - 31.

The children will work on their speaking and writing skills throughout this term and be able to add to our already vast conversations in French!

RSE

Throughout Spring 1, we will learn about Safety and the Changing Body. This will include learning about internet age restrictions, sharing information online, privacy and security, tobacco and introducing puberty.

In Spring 2, we will move on to learning about Economic Wellbeing, where children will learn about value for money and how to look after money safely and responsibly.



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Music

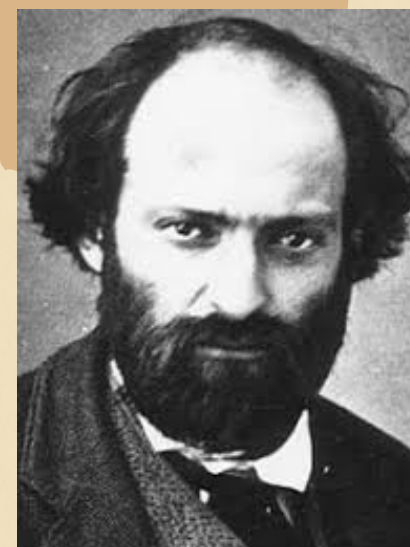
The children will be continuing learning their brass instrument lessons with Lucy. They are beginning to become more fluent in note reading and this term, will begin to look at composing their own simple piece of music, using notes learnt last term.

I hope you have all enjoyed having the instruments at home for the children to practice with!

Art and Design

During Spring 2, we will learn about painting and mixed media with a focus on light and dark. Children will learn how to mix paint to create shades and tints to use in their art work.

This Term's Artist....



Design Technology

In Spring 1, we will be learning about wearable technology in our digital world unit.

In Spring 2, we will learn about structures with a focus on pavilions. The children will research, design and create their own pavilion.

Computing

During spring term, we will be completing everyone's favourite unit - Programming! We will be using scratch, in which the children will be introduced to variables and understand how and why they are used. The children will then create a cross-curricular times tables project based on their skills learnt.

