

Literacy

English lessons will be brought to life by a series of missions set by MI5.

Children will be building up to writing narratives including character descriptions, settings and plot. We will be using Marvel Superheroes as inspiration.

We will also be learning how to write instructions. If time allows we will look at a local real life super hero such as Grace Darling and focus on recount writing such as diary entries.

The skills we will be focusing on are—

Sentence variety

Fronted adverbials

Direct speech

Expanded noun phrases

Vocabulary

Assessing the effectiveness of their own and others' work

Reading

We will be reading a variety of adventure / super hero stories in literacy lessons and as part of our guided reading sessions. The skills that we will be focusing on in reading this half term are -

Predict what might happen from details stated and implied *e.g. 'I think he will run away because even though it doesn't say that he doesn't like her brother, there are clues'* Makes comments generally supported by relevant textual reference or quotation

Key Value

MERCY/RESPECT

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Science—Light

To begin with we will recognise that we need light to see things and that darkness is the absent of light. We will then look at how light is reflected from surfaces and recognise that the sun can be dangerous. After that we will recognise how shadows are formed and talk about opaque objects. We will find patterns in the way that the size of shadows change.

History / Geography

We will continue our history topic on how the Anglo Saxons lived and the importance of the discovery of Sutton Hoo. In Geography we will be studying aspects of North America, Europe and the UK. We will be using maps and atlases to focus on key physical geographical features including hills, mountains and volcanoes.

Maths

Mental / Oral work (revision of previous work)

Addition and subtraction

Factor pairs

Multiplication and division facts for up to 12 x 12

Written methods for + - x and /

Rounding decimals

Fractions / decimals equivalencies

Main teaching

Convert between different units of measure and solve problems

Co-ordinates

Angles

Properties of shapes

Bar charts and time graphs

Spelling, Punctuation and Grammar

Spelling, Punctuation and Grammar (SPaG) will be taught within literacy lessons and straight after lunch as a quick fire 15 minute activity. Skills covered will be—

Words with the /k/ sound spelt ch (Greek in origin)

Words with the /j/ sound spelt ch (mostly French in origin)

Words ending with the /g/ sound spelt -gue and the /k/ sound spelt -que (French in origin)

Words with the /s/ sound spelt sc (Latin in origin)

Words with the /eɪ/ sound spelt ei, eigh, or ey

Grammar—determiners, pronouns, possessive pronouns, adverbials.

Possessive and plural s

Direct speech

Art / DT

In art and DT we aim to begin to look seasonal vegetables and plant. We will also study the work of some cartoon illustrators, studying techniques to create posters and comic strips. We will be incorporating texture by blocking in of colour, thickened paint and be working on a range of scales. This will be linked to our work on super-heroes.

R.E.

The topics which will be covered are:
Pentecost-serving: new life and understanding how the Easter message is spread through the power of the Holy spirit. Reconciliation-building bridges and the importance of being reconciled with one another and God.

PSHCE

We will be working on the topic 'Its Good to be Me'. We will be learning to describe; how I learn, what I am good at and how to cope when I struggle.

P.E.

In PE we will be focusing on athletics and basketball. We will be learning the importance of warming up, cooling down, team sportsmanship as well as attacking and defending. We will also start making tactics as a team.



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Extra Curricular Opportunities

Please see website for a list of current extra curricular opportunities.

Music

Children will be continuing with their trumpet music tuition with Mr Milner for the rest of the year.

Educational visits and outdoor learning

At present we have no educational visits planned. In the warmer weather we aim to make the most of the natural resources near us such as the Rising Sun.

Computing

Kodu is a wonderful free tool from Microsoft. This term we will be looking at an introduction to Kodu where the children will start with the basics of designing and programming two different games. The game will have a superhero theme.

Homework

One piece of homework will be sent out on a Thursday and should be returned to school on a Tuesday. The homework will be reading, writing or maths. In most instances, it will always be linked to work we have covered in lesson time and will be designed to consolidate or extend learning. Homework this term may also link to our key value. Spellings for the week will also be sent home on a Monday for a test in school the following Friday.

Useful websites

<http://www.oxfordowl.co.uk/for-home/reading-owl/library-page>
www.ictgames.com/literacy.html
<http://www.bbc.co.uk/education>
<http://www.topmarks.co.uk/>