Literacy

This half term we will be focusing on writing an adventure narrative following our Talk for Writing model; 'Adventure at Sandy Cove'. Following this, we will be writing and performing poems with a summer theme.

Reading

We will reading a narrative as a class for enjoyment. In guided reading, we will be reading adventure stories and we will infer and deduce information from the texts.

We will also include some time to read and analyse poems and why a poet may write their poem in a particular style or format. This will link with our literacy focuses.

R.E.

This half term we will complete our study of Baptism and Confirmation.

Children will recognise that they have been invited to share the work of God through Baptism. They will ask and respond to questions about being chosen.



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Science—Light

Pupils will recognise that they need light in order to see things and what dark is. They will notice that light can be reflected off surfaces and recognise how shadows are produced and how they can change in size. They will also learn about the dangers of light and what they can do to protect their eyes.

Gospel Value Community

Numeracy

This half term pupils will continue studying time, reading time as a measurement (analogue and digital), converting into a variety of time units and solving word problems involving calculating lengths of time. Following this, we will consolidate our learning from previous topics including, 1- and 2- step problems using the four operations and place value. We will be using some investigative skills in our maths lessons, to improve our reasoning skills.

Spelling, Grammar and Punctuation Spelling, Punctuation and Grammar (SPaG) will be taught within literacy lessons and straight after lunch as a quick fire activity. Skills covered will be—Homophones and near homophones. Revision of non negotiable words. Revision of key letter strings taught throughout the year.

Humanities

We will be completing our work on the Ancient Greeks and then will be studying changes within our local area including practising field-work skills such as a compass and four figure grid reference.

P.E.

Indoor-Monday Outdoor- Tuesday
P.E. will be a mixture of athletics and
rounders. In athletics, children will be
taught skills such as running styles and
skills used in long jump. In rounders we will
be learning the rules and looking at working
strategically as a team. We will be teaching
skills in striking and fielding.

COMPUTING

This half term we will be learning about what a search engine is, how the results are ranked and how to search the web safely We also look at Lego 3D modelling and programming.

French

This half term we shall be completing French unit 4- Les Animaux. This will include learning numbers 31-40, animal names and short conversations both written and orally produced about pets.

PSHCE

Our key value this term will be Respect. This links in many ways to the European elections as well as respecting other nationalities and differences between people.



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Extra Curricular Opportunities

There are a variety of extra curricular activities for children at St Bernadette's. Please see website for an up to date list of what is currently being offered.

Educational visits and outdoor learning

We will be making a visit to the beach on 23rd June with all of Lower Key stage 2, courtesy of the PTA. This links to our 'Slice of Summer' topic.

Art / DT

We will focus on creating texture, depth and perspective within our local landscape observations. We will use a mixture of mediums including collage and natural materials.

Homework

Homework will be
sent out on a Thursday-consolidating class work
throughout the week, so any problems
can be addressed before the
weekend and should be returned to school the
following Tuesday. The homework will be
reading, writing or maths. In most instances, it
will 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 Thursday for a test in
school the following Friday.

I run a 'homework workshop' on a Friday morning break time to help your child with any potential problems.

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/