English

We will begin the year by writing a short piece based on the Literacy Shed video *Something Fishy*. We will then revisit core Year 3 writing skills before moving on to our unit based on *The Feast*. During this unit, we will develop our grammar and punctuation by learning about inverted commas, fronted adverbials and expanded noun phrases.

Music

In music, we will explore the song Mamma Mia by ABBA. We will listen and respond to the music, identifying features such as the pulse, rhythm and pitch. We will learn to sing the song confidently and accurately, explore how different musical elements work together and develop our listening and performance skills.

History

In history, we will explore Roman Britain and the Anglo-Saxons. We will investigate why the Romans built Hadrian's wall and how it was used to protect and control the Roman frontier. We will use a range of historical sources to find out about the past and consider what they can tell us. We will also explore how the Picts and Scots lived and learn about the changes that took place in Britain following the departure of the Romans and the arrival of the Anglo-Saxons.

Science

In science, we will learn about teeth and the digestive system. We will identify the different types of human teeth, including incisors, canines and molars and explore the different jobs they do. We will investigate what can damage our teeth and learn how to keep them healthy through good dental hygiene. We will also explore how teeth differ between animals depending on their diets and use our scientific skills to make observations, ask questions and draw conclusions.

Curriculum Overview



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DT

In Design Technology, we will be food and nutrition through designing and making our own biscuits. We will investigate existing products and consider their taste, texture, appearance and ingredients. We will then design a biscuit, following a recipe and developing our measuring and food preparation skills. After making our biscuits, we will taste and evaluate our finished products and consider how they could be improved.

Maths

In maths, we will develop our understanding of place value, working with numbers up to 10,000. We will compare, order, read and write numbers and practice rounding to the nearest 10,100 and 1000. We will then develop our addition and subtraction skills using efficient written methods and applying these to a range of problems. We will then start to explore area by counting squares and comparing shapes, which will continue into next term.

PSHE

In PSHE, our theme will be 'Being Me in My World'. We will explore what it means to be part of a class team, reflect on inclusion, friendship and how our actions affect others. We will consider how rewards and consequences influence behaviour.

Reading

In reading, we will explore Journey to Jo'burg by Beverley Naidoo. Through the text, we will develop our key VIPER reading skills, including vocabulary, inference, prediction, explanation, retrieval and summarizing. We will explore characters, settings and important events, using evidence from text to support our answers.

PE

In PE, we will develop our health and fitness through a range of activities designed to improve our stamina and overall fitness. We will set personal goals and work towards beating our personal bests. We will also develop our netball skills, including passing, catching, movement and teamwork.