

English

Writing: Across our English lessons, we will be working our way through two writing units; 'Feast' and 'Hatsheput.' 'Feast' is based off the short Disney movie and will involve pupils writing their own story. 'Hatsheput' is a biography text we will be exploring before the children write their own biographies on Nelson Mandela.

Reading: Across our reading mastery lessons, we will be reading 'Journey to Jo'burg' by Beverley Naidoo which tells the story of two children travelling across Africa.

Maths

In maths, we will be studying two broad units this half term: Number - Place Value and Number – Addition & Subtraction

These will cover rounding, comparing and ordering numbers as well as negative numbers and Roman numerals. The learning of number bonds within 20 and times tables and corresponding division facts will be given a high priority. We will be aiming for rapid accurate recall.

Science

In science, we will be learning about 'Humans and Other Animals', a unit which is taught across all year groups.

We will describe the simple functions of the basic parts of the digestive system in humans, identify the different types of teeth in humans and their simple functions, and investigate how to keep our teeth healthy.

We will construct and interpret a variety of food chains and identify producers, predators, and prey.

PE

In PE, we will be developing our fitness through health-related exercise including cardio circuits, flexibility, and strength workouts. We will also work on our personal bests at a variety of Sports Hall Athletics disciplines e.g. speed bounce.

In Netball, we will refine our passing and receiving skills, whilst developing our dribbling and footwork.

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PSHCE

In PSHE, we will be completing the first piece of our six-part puzzle, 'Being Me in My World.' This will involve learning about the terms 'inclusion' and 'exclusion' and about the skills that are needed in effective teamwork. We will also be learning about who makes up the school community and how each person is important in their own different ways.

Art/Music

In art, we will be drawing in our sketch books, using different pencils to create different lines and tones. We will develop our work using charcoal sticks. Pupils will identify the tonal scale in a photograph, smudge, and blend charcoal.

We will study the proportions of the human face and use charcoal to complete a portrait.

In Music, we will be studying the music of Abba and in particular Mamma Mia.

French

In French, we will be extending our vocabulary by learning farm animals, classroom instructions and parts of the body. We will be learning how to use a French/English dictionary effectively. We will be learning new phrases in order to write direct instructions.

Computing

Across our computing lessons, we will be becoming computer programmers as we work our way through a variety of coding tasks. We will expand our knowledge of algorithms and learn how to decompose and abstract complex programs.

History

In history, we will continue where we left off in Year 3 by finding out what happened to Britain after the Romans left. We will learn all about the Anglo Saxons, including where they came from, why they chose to settle in Britain, how they were a mix of three tribes (Angles, Jutes and Saxons), how they shaped England into seven different kingdoms and why they converted from paganism to Christianity. We will also learn about the day of a life of a typical Anglo Saxon.