

English

Our writing will be based on the book 'The Explorer' by Katherine Rundell. We will use the story to write our own Voyage and Return story during our fiction writing. Our non-fiction writing will take on the form of a persuasion text. Towards the end of term we will explore poetic language. During our daily whole-class guided reading sessions we will be sharing short texts and developing our skills in prediction and inference. We will have daily spelling lessons and we will also be working on developing our handwriting and presentation skills.

Maths

Our main focus in Maths will be looking at multiplication and division using a variety of methods finishing with geometry, looking at angles.

Geography

This term we will be using 4 and 6 figure grid references to find locations on an OS map. We will be creating fact files about mountains, exploring how volcanoes are formed and how they affect people's lives. We will look at what causes earthquakes and how they are measured.

R.E.

Our focus this term is 'Why do Christians call the day Jesus died Good Friday?'

DT

We will be researching, planning and designing our own pizzas. We will need to make sure that they have healthy toppings. Later on during the year we will use our designs to make our pizzas.

Computing

The children will explore data logging. We will consider the senses that humans use to experience the environment and how computers can use special input devices called sensors to monitor the environment. We will collect data as well as access data captured over long periods of time.

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Reading

Please read with, or listen to your child read every day.

Homework

Please see the separate *Pick and Mix* sheet.

Spellings

Please complete the *Sounds & Syllables* spelling sheets each week.

PE

PE days will be on Mondays and Fridays. Indoor PE this term will be dance with a theme of 'Carnival of the Animals'. Outdoor PE will be taught by Steven and will focus on Hockey.

Science

We will explore electricity. We will identify common appliances that run on electricity. We will explore circuits including cells, wires, bulbs, switches and buzzers. We will identify common conductors and insulators, and associate metals with being good conductors.

PSHE

We will explore the topic 'Keeping Safe'.

Music

We will be introducing chords. The children will begin to create their own song and learn to use basic chords as part of this.

MFL

This term our theme is 'Where in the World'. We will be understanding where French is spoken in the world and describing places of the world using French vocabulary.