

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 fractions, decimals and percentages, as well as units of measurement.

Geography

We will voyage across the Atlantic as we discover the continent of North America and all its amazing countries, cities and landscapes. The children will identify the countries of North America and explore various geographical features of different areas of North America and compare them with our locality.

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 living things and their habitats. We will describe the differences in life cycles of a mammal, an amphibian, an insect and a bird. We will describe the life process of reproduction in some plants and animals.

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 'Family and Friends'. We will apply previous skills and knowledge of topic areas such as animals, homes and family to extend our conversation abilities. We will expand our vocabulary and consolidate understanding of descriptive language, including subjective descriptions. We will learn how French adjectives must 'agree' with the noun they describe, in relation to both number and gender.