

Reading -

In our reading lessons this half term, we will be focusing on the book 'The Firework-Maker's Daughter' by Philip Pullman.' During our daily reading lessons, we will be practicing and refining a range of different reading skills. The skills include: retrieval, inference, prediction, summarising, clarifying, questioning and improving vocabulary (often by using a dictionary or Thesaurus). All of these skills help the children to become fluent readers with a good understanding of the texts they are reading. We aim to make connections to our books across the curriculum, and the children will take part in a range of thoughtful, effective activities to support their learning.

Writing -

This half term, we will use our class reading book 'The Firework-Maker's Daughter' by Philip Pullman as inspiration for our writing. We will use this text and its wonderful illustrations to support and inspire poetry and a report. We will incorporate precise vocabulary and will encourage the children to be more ambitious with their vocabulary choices. We will then use all of the skills that we have learnt and will apply these to write a diary entry.

Throughout our writing lessons, children will use a range of devices including: persuasive language, rhetorical questions, paragraphs, expanded noun phrases, conjunctions, adverbs, and more. We will also have regular spelling and handwriting lessons, in which children will have the opportunity to learn spelling rules and practice their letter formation.

Mathematics -

During this half term in Maths, we will be exploring the concept of multiplication and division. We will be looking at equal and unequal groups before discussing what 2, 3, 4, 5, 8 and 10 are made up of using concrete manipulatives and pictorial representations.

Finally, we will then consolidate our prior knowledge of repeated addition and how this looks as a multiplication and division fact. Throughout this unit we will be using concrete, pictorial and abstract representation to support us.

Wider Curriculum -

Science— Our science topic this half term is rocks. We will be able to say the different types of rocks and how they are formed through lots of different experiments like 'chocolate rocks.'

Geography— In Geography, we will be learning how to correctly use a map. We will be locating some countries in Europe and North America using maps. In addition, we aim to know the names of some countries and major cities in Europe and North and South America.

Art— This half term, we will be exploring craft and design. We will be creating a mood board, exploring techniques to develop imagery, using textile techniques to develop patterns and will creating repeated patterns

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PSHE —Our PSHE topic for this half term is 'Celebrating Difference'. During these lessons, we will complete a range of activities and discussions, as well as regular mindfulness activities.

Y3 – The content of these lessons include:

Accepting that everyone is different

To include others when working and playing.

To know how to help if someone is being bullied

To know how to solve problems

To try to use kind words.

Y4 –The content of these lessons include:

Accepting that everyone is different

To include others when working and playing.

To know how to help if someone is being bullied.

Solving problems

To know how to give and receive compliments

Both classes will discuss and use their class charters throughout these lessons.

Religious Education -

Our Big Question for RE this half term is 'What is Trinity?'

We will be exploring this question critically through a range of tasks such as art work, poems and readings from the Bible.