

English

Our work in English this half term will be heavily focused on grammar as we move towards SATs.

Explanation

Using a range of different enchanting creatures from the Spiderwick Chronicles, we will use causal conjunctions and other cohesive devices to link sentences and paragraphs. We also look at using technical vocabulary and a formal tone to explain how to keep a pixie or a sprite as a pet.

Narrative

Using Talk 4 Writing, we will invent our own stories exploring different techniques to have a desired effect on our reader. We will be looking at switching between differing levels of formality within a genre and using a range of vocabulary to show thoughts, opinions and feelings of characters.

Grammar, Punctuation and Spelling

Through daily English lessons and stand alone grammar and spelling sessions, we will be becoming more familiar with more complex word classes, advanced punctuation to separate clauses and how prefixes and suffixes change the meaning of root words.



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Geography

This half term, we will be looking at the Dominican Republic and cocoa production. In line with Fair Trade fortnight, we will look at the process of chocolate production and have discussions and debates about why we should be a fair trade school.

Maths

Our Maths lessons this half term will, once again, adopt an investigative approach. We will be refining our algebra, ration, measure and statistic knowledge in the run up to SATs week. We will adopt a heavy reasoning focus this half term to improve our explanations of our methods and understanding.

Daily arithmetic sessions will consolidate learning from Maths lessons by revisiting elements of place value, addition and subtraction.

Reading

Reading in Year 6 is both included in English lessons and in separate guided reading sessions. The class will develop their reading confidence and inference and deduction abilities this half term using texts from our English lessons and stand alones.

R.E.

This half term, we will be studying the topics of Unity, Lent & Easter and Islam. We will be learning to use religious terms to show an understanding of the different liturgies of Ash Wednesday, Good Friday and the Passion of the Lord.

Art / DT

Our DT will be linked to our Geography topic, whereby we will be looking at different materials. We will look at patchwork creations from the Dominican Republic and try to create some of our own using and developing our sewing skills.



P.E.

This half term, we will be learning basketball skills in our outdoor PE sessions. We will be learning to use space effectively, dribble, pass and shoot. A big part of our PE will focus on teamwork and how to support each other.

Homework

UFA homework will continue this half term. Pupils must continue to read at home every night.

Extra revision will be provided for the Easter Holidays in the run up to SATs.

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Science

Our Science topic this half term is *Healthy Humans*. Pupils will learn about the circulatory system and how the human heart works. We will also learn about the main nutrient groups and understand what is meant by a *balanced diet*. We will also investigate the negative effects of tobacco, drugs and alcohol on the human body.

Computing

This half term, we will be completing the unit E-safety. This half term, we will be completing a unit of work based on E-Safety. Pupils will learn how to use search technologies effectively and appreciate how results are selected and ranked. They will also learn how to use technology safely, respectfully and responsibly and how to recognise acceptable and unacceptable online behaviour when using technology.

Extra Curricular Opportunities

There are regular extra curricular opportunities throughout the year, you will be informed through ParentMail.

Educational visits & Outdoor Learning

There will be no visits this half term.

SEAL

This half term, pupils will complete a unit of work about *Relationships*. We will also complete activities based on our Gospel value of Justice.