

Literacy/GPS

Our literacy work this term will be centred around a number of shorter texts, including the folk tale of The Chocolate Tree (tying into our study of the Maya) and The Rabbits by John Marsden. Through all of these units pupils will continue to develop their skills in grammar, punctuation and writing for a variety of different purposes and audiences. With each of these texts, we will reflect on the use of illustration to enhance the communication of story, ideas and themes. Alongside this work we will continue our weekly spelling programme.

Maths

In mathematics, we will be covering equivalence and compensation. There will be a focus on multiplication and how it links to other areas of the maths curriculum, including decimals. We will support the children's development of fluency and reasoning in mathematics through problem solving and practical activities across the curriculum.

Science

This term in science we will be learning about Sound and Forces. Within these units, children will explore how different objects make sounds and investigate the force of gravity. We will also look at how levers, pulleys and gears can increase a force.

RE

This term our theme is pilgrimage. The children will be learning about pilgrimages from different religions and will explore traditions and reasons for a pilgrimage.

PE This term our focus will be endball. The children will be learning to pass, receive and intercept with accuracy and demonstrate good technique. During team games, children will have to work together to select tactics for attacking and defending.

Computing

Pupils will be using the 2Design software on the Purple Mash web site to explore 2D and 3D design. This will culminate in producing a net for a piece of packaging of their own devising.

Music

This term's music will be based around the theme of Our Community. This unit includes singing songs, writing lyrics and conducting in a variety of musical metres. In addition Year 5 will continue to learn a variety of songs during assembly times.

History/Geography

We will be learning all about the Mayan Civilisation. The children will explore Mayan artefacts, gathering evidence from primary sources about how the Mayans lived. We will guide the children to challenge misconceptions about the Maya using evidence and knowledge to help them.

French

Our focus this term is seasons. Children will learn vocabulary about the four seasons and activities that might be done during these times of year.

Art

We will be continuing our work on the Mayans through our artwork. The children will gather ideas through notes and sketches before exploring ideas of Mayan patterns and imagery using various printing techniques.

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PSHE & C

In PSHE&C this term we will be focusing on 'Living in the Wider World'. This will include learning about our community and why it is important and special. We will also be learning about how to be a good citizen. This will include learning how and why we should protect our environment and about money and the importance of saving and budgeting.