

Science

As scientists, we will be looking at materials and their properties.

Children will be revising solutions and dissolving, they will be investigating whether or not materials are magnetic and whether they are conductors of electricity. They will be considering which materials are best suited for which purposes. They will be planning and carrying out investigations and considering how these could be applied to real situations.

Art and Design

As artists, the children will be looking at cave paintings from the Stone Age. They will be recreating them using a range of medium.

ICT

As technicians, the children will be looking at storyboarding a narrative. They will be capturing and editing images and adding sound to make a photo narrative. They will be considering the implications of copyright.

RE

As theologians, we are studying Christianity for this term. We are looking at how someone's religion or beliefs are expressed through the choices they make.

We will be looking at some people who have used their beliefs to affect the way they live their lives.

How did some of the earliest people live?



Music

As musicians, year 5 will be having the opportunity to learn a brass instrument. They will be having a weekly lesson with Mr. Horscroft. This will be on Wednesdays.

PSHE

As citizens, children will be thinking about respect. This will be linking to our RE work. They will be studying the beliefs of Emmeline Pankhurst.

French

As linguists, the children will continue to have a weekly French lesson developing their basic vocabulary skills. This term they are learning to:

- Follow instructions in French
- Talk about the clothes they are wearing

History

As historians, the children will be looking the period of history from The Stone Age to the Iron Age. They will be looking at the movement of humans and how they developed skills to enable them to survive.

Geography

As geographers, we will be looking at the countries inhabited by early humans during The Stone Age.

PE

As athletes, the children will be focussing on invasion games and making bridges with their bodies in gymnastics.

PE lessons are on Thursdays and Fridays.

English:

Writing

Jack's Fantastic Voyage: The children will be writing short texts based on a picture book. They will also be writing reports and an adventure story based around The Stone Age.

Grammar and Punctuation: Children will be revising basic punctuation and learning about how to use commas between clauses.

Sentence level: Beginning sentences with a preposition.

Reading

Our focus for this half term is inference and deduction (reading between the lines). We will be thinking about using clues from across a text to answer questions. Please continue to encourage your child to read at home and discuss the texts with you.

Spelling

The class will have a daily spelling session to focus on the teaching of a specific spelling pattern.

Children will be asked to find words with this spelling pattern as part of their home learning.

There will be a test at the end of this term on all of the patterns we have been focussing on.

Maths:

Times tables: The children will continue their focus on times table in particular 6,7,8,9. Times tables facts are fundamental to most areas of maths that we use and the children really need to be quick and secure with this knowledge.

We will continue to have a Times-tables challenge in which the children aim to increase their total score.

This will be supported by regular teaching and games to consolidate their learning.

Other areas of maths we will cover are:-

- Multiplying and dividing by 10 and 100.
- Standard column methods for addition and subtraction
- Representing information in line graphs and bar charts
- Place value of numbers up to a million
- Properties of 2 dimensional shapes

Other Information:

Please ensure your child reads regularly at home. Alongside their school reading book, please encourage them to read a wide range of books, magazines, newspapers, comics etc. This is will to help support their vocabulary development and understanding of different genres of writing.