

Class: 1

Year Groups: N/R/1/2

Spring Term 1 2016

6 weeks

Connected Curriculum
Castles/The Farm Shop

Children will begin the term with a mini topic looking at castles. They will look at the importance of castles and where they were often built. Children will look at the different ways that castles were protected and the reasons why. In Art children will look at different portrait artists and they will recreate their famous works. The children will look at different nonsense poems in English. They will read, learn and perform these as they move on to write their own versions of these.

History/Geography

As this is primarily a Science based topic, a lot of time will be devoted to this. During this topic we will look at the landscape in and around Dalton. We will look at the different types of settings that are in the vicinity of Dalton. We will learn about the terminology that is associated with these settings.

Art and Design Technology

Children will design their own meal (without using a heat source). As they go through the process they will evaluate their work and see what changes they could make next to make it a more nutritious or simpler meal.

Children will also practise their line drawing skills in class by sketching different fruits and vegetables. They will also do these using different media to create different effects whilst looking at the fruit as inspiration.

Music

This term we will continue the Charanga scheme of work. We will continue with the previous unit 'I Wanna be in a Band'. In this unit we listen to lots of different songs from bands such as the Beatles, Status Quo and Deep Purple. As well as this we will learn a song and play different instruments to complement this song.

Computing

Children will use technology to sort and display different data. They will use graphing software to produce simple pictograms, graphs and tables. In addition to this they will also use the 2Simple software to create their own databases.

English

This term we will look at three main themes: Stories from familiar settings, persuasion texts and riddles. In each theme we will learn all about the different text type genres. We will plan our own versions of these and then write them. Children will read the different stories and they will choose their favourite words and phrases to use in their own story. The children write a story

based on one of the stories that they have read in the topic. During the persuasion theme children will learn about the different techniques that businesses use to persuade people. At the end of the theme children will make their own persuasive leaflet to encourage people to visit their farm shop. During the riddle theme children will read lots of different riddles and then they will create their own riddle to describe something found on a farm.

Maths

Children will learn about the place value of numbers and they will partition these numbers into hundreds, tens and units where applicable. This skill will be used to add 2 two digit numbers together and subtract away as well. In the measurement unit children will learn about volume and temperature. They will measure these practically and compare them. Fractions will be taught this half term and we will look at $\frac{1}{2}$, $\frac{1}{4}$ and $\frac{3}{4}$. We will find these fractions of both numbers and of different objects. Children will learn to start to tell the time. They will start by looking at o'clock, half past, quarter past and quarter to resulting in them learning to tell the time to five minutes. Finally, children will learn the common 2D and 3D shapes and their properties.

Religious Education

This half term we will look towards ascension and Pentecost. We will continue to regularly visit church to see how the Easter garden has been changing. We will look at the different stories in which Jesus appeared to different people after his resurrection and how these stories affect Christian's beliefs. We will look at, and make, lots of different artwork to represent this.

Science

Children will learn about the different features of plants and how they grow. Children will investigate the different things that plants need to grow and mature. Children will compare the difference between seeds and bulbs and they will look at the life cycle of a plants. We will plant different seeds and bulbs and children will then sell these at their own 'farm shop' at the end of the topic. We will look at the different seeds that are contained within fruit and see how these differ between the fruits from around the world. Once the plants have grown we will look at the different parts of the plant and flower. After this we will look at the different life processes.

Physical Education

The topic this half term is Gymnastics. A specialist from the West Lancashire Sports Partnership will take these lessons. These will be complemented by similar lessons from Mr Atkins. In Gymnastics children will learn how to move safely along equipment. They will also learn different balances and rolls and put these together to form a simple movement pattern.

MFL

MFL is not compulsory in KS1, however, we will continue to learn basic conversational language such as hello and goodbye.

Outdoor Links

- Growing in the garden

Education Visits/Visitors to school

- Local farmer to visit school