

English, Drama and RWI:

Class 'Power of Reading' Book: The Boundless (written by Kenneth Oppel)

Key writing priorities:

Creating atmosphere.

Writing adventure stories.

Understanding how grammar and vocabulary choices can change and enhance meaning .

Assessing the effectiveness of their own writing.

Changing vocabulary, grammar and punctuation to enhance effects and clarify meaning.

English Week: Fairy Tales (January 9th—13th)

BBC 500 Words competition.

This will be supplemented with cross-curricular writing and SPaG (Spelling, Punctuation & Grammar) work.

Art and Design:

Exploring and recreating patterns using tessellation and symmetry

Islamic artwork and designs including arabesque and geometric designs.

RE:

Key Question: What does it mean to belong to a religion? (Islam)

Chinese New Year

Core Value: Hope

British Values: Individual Liberty and the Rule of Law.

PSHE:

Jigsaw: Dreams and Goals.

Improving self-esteem and learning strengths.

+ Whole School Safety Week (w/c Mon 6th Feb'17), incl. Safer Internet Day (Be the Change: Unite for a Better Internet)

Science:

Evolution, Adaptation and Inheritance.

We will explore the work of Darwin and investigate differences within species; recognising how populations may change over time and identifying how animals are adapted to their environment. We will also focus on inheritance.

We will also revisit key scientific concepts across the term.

Maths:

Fractions: Equivalent fractions, ordering fractions, fractions of an amount, fractions of shapes, adding and subtracting fractions, multiplying and dividing fractions. Improper and proper fractions and mixed numbers, sequences involving fractions.

Equivalent fractions, decimals and percentages.

Problem solving will be taught within and alongside the above topics.

We will continue to practise calculating (both mental and written strategies) each day.

Topic:

Evolution, Adaptation and Inheritance (science theme)

Geography: looking at maps through time and tracing the footsteps of Darwin.

History: Explore Darwin's and Wallace's ideas on evolution and their place within the historical context. We will also investigate the story of Mary Anning.

PE:

Indoor - Health related Exercise: To develop understanding of the different types of fitness to develop pupils physical fitness

Outdoor - Basketball and netball skills, and rules of the game.

Music:

The aim of this unit is to further develop understanding of pulse and rhythm, through a focus on Samba. Children will learn to read and perform basic Samba rhythms and will work as a class to create a Samba performance.

