

ART

During Art week they will be focusing on a famous artist, looking at their background and practicing the skills needed to create in the same style.

In addition there will be opportunities for linking the art studies to the topic of Ancient Egypt and to various English Units.

DESIGN AND TECHNOLOGY

This term there will be a dedicated Design and Technology Week. The children will be basing their work on Ancient Egypt. This will involve the making of vehicles and creating bread recipes.

MUSIC

Exploring rhythmic patterns and arrangements: During this term the children will develop the ability to create simple rhythmic patterns and perform them using notation as a support. They will also create, combine and perform rhythmic and melodic material as part of a class performance of a song.

As part of the Musicianship programme run by the Dorset Music Service, they will also be having 10 weeks of samba drum tuition.

PHYSICAL EDUCATION

In dance the children will be learning how to create different characters and narrative through movement and gestures. The class will be encouraged to think about how to use their movements to explore and communicate ideas and issues and to express their own feelings and thoughts. The dance will be linked with their science.

FRENCH

During this term children will study the themes of greetings, names, family, numbers and age. They will develop their ability to communicate and understand simple facts and ideas.

We hope this information will help you understand what your child will be learning whilst here in school.

If you feel able to offer some of your time to help at school, by assisting with various activities, please let us know. We value your help and support.

Please remember that if you wish to discuss any aspects of your child's progress or if you have any queries, you are welcome to make an appointment to see us.

Thank you.
Yours sincerely

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ST. CATHERINE'S CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

CURRICULUM PLANNING



YEAR FOUR AUTUMN TERM 2018

Dear Parents,

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

We will continue to develop the children's learning using 'God Matters', which is designed to ensure that pupils make progress in R.E. from Reception to Year 6. This term, the children's learning throughout the school will be split into the following units:

Creation; Prayer, Saints and Feasts, Sacraments, Advent and Christmas.

PSHE - PERSONAL, SOCIAL, EMOTIONAL EDUCATION AND CITIZENSHIP

During the year, the children will be examining emotions and feelings, relationships, lifestyles, respect for oneself and others and aspects of keeping safe. The topics to be covered this term are 'Being Me in My World' and 'Celebrating Differences', from the Jigsaw programme.

ENGLISH

This term, the children will:

- Look at how wolves are portrayed in fictional literature through the study of traditional tales, legends and by reading Ian Whybrow's book 'Little Wolf's Book of Badness'. In addition they will be writing a non-chronological report and newspaper article.
- Study the format of explanation texts in order to write their own.
- Explore how simile and metaphor can be used to create powerful images, through reading and discussing poems.
- Identify features of older fiction, using this as a basis for descriptive and fictional writing, through reading and studying 'The Lion the Witch and the Wardrobe'

The grammar focus will be to:

- Use and punctuate direct speech
- Extend the range of sentences with more than one clause
- Choose nouns or pronouns appropriately for clarity and cohesion and to avoid repetition
- Use fronted adverbials and adverbs appropriately, including commas
- Use conjunctions, adverbs and prepositions to express time and cause
- Indicate possession by using the possessive apostrophe with singular and plural nouns
- Use the present and past tenses correctly

MATHEMATICS

This term the children will be covering the following topics:-

- Place value – ordering, rounding, estimating
- Multiplying and dividing by 10, 100 and 1000
- Multiplying and dividing using decimals
- Securing number facts, relationships and calculating
- Understanding shape
- Handling shape
- Handling data and measures
- Problem solving in all four rules
- Tables up to 12 x 12

Running alongside these units will be opportunities to reason about numbers and the number system through investigations.

SCIENCE

Animals, including Humans

This unit focuses on the digestive system in humans and animals and the functions of teeth. Children will learn more about herbivores, carnivores and omnivores in the context of teeth, digestion and the food chain.

States of Matter

This unit focuses on the differences between solids, liquids and gases, classifying objects and identifying their properties. They will explore how water changes state, exploring melting, freezing, condensing as well as a particular focus on evaporation. Finally, they will learn about the stages of the water cycle.

COMPUTING

During this term the children will be learning to use object based graphic's software to produce images and visual models. They will be learning about programming using 'Scratch'.

HISTORY

Ancient Egypt

In this unit the learning will focus on the achievements of the earliest civilizations giving an overview of where and when the first civilizations appeared and an in-depth study of Ancient Egypt. The children will be looking at it's geography, political structure, historical legacy, mythology and technical achievements.

GEOGRAPHY

Comparing our locality with Boscombe

Initially the children will be looking at the area in and around Colehill, identifying key features and identify changes that have been made within the last 200 years through studying archive materials and historical maps. After that, the focus will shift to Boscombe and, using available resources, study how that has developed. Finally, the children will compare the two localities identifying similarities and differences.