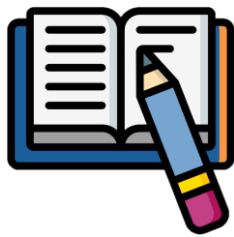


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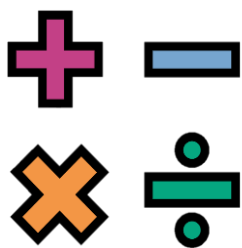
## Literacy



In our writing lessons, we will first be using the book 'Our Tower' by Joseph Coelho to create poems, setting descriptions, diary entries, dialogue, letters of thanks and extended fantasy narratives. We will then use the book 'Escape from Pompeii' by Christina Balitto to write vivid descriptions of the setting and the eruption of Mount Vesuvius. The children will develop their writing by creating a newspaper report with quotes from survivors.

In our reading lessons, we will be looking at the non-fiction book 'Earth Shattering Events' by Robin Jacobs and Sophie Williams which explores the scientific and geographical background of natural disasters. We will then begin a poetry unit on Carol Ann Duffy where the children will be look at language within the poems to see how the poet creates a picture. The children will compare two poems through content and form and finally pick their own poem to perform to the class.

## Maths



In Maths, we will complete a unit about Fractions. We will build on our prior knowledge of fractions and finding a fraction of an amount and apply this to a range of contexts, including multi-step calculations. We will then move on to learning about money. We will learn to convert pounds to pence, as well as add and subtract money.

## Science



In our Science topic of Plants, we will dissect a plant and learn about the function of the parts. We will learn in-depth about water transportation, seed dispersal, pollination and the lifecycle of plants.

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## Computing



In our Media unit, we will become familiar with the terms 'text' and 'images' and understand that they can be used to communicate messages. We will use desktop publishing software and consider careful choices of font size, colour and type to edit and improve premade documents, including a magazine cover.

## DT



In DT we will be cooking, and children will learn how to make a Victoria sponge cake while understanding how it fits into a balanced diet. They will explore food groups, read food labels to identify ingredients and allergens, and practise key baking techniques such as measuring, mixing and combining ingredients accurately.

## History



In History, children will learn about British monarchs and how their roles have changed over time. They will explore key monarchs from the past, place them on a timeline, and compare how kings and queens lived and ruled in different periods such as the medieval and Tudor eras.

## MFL



In Spanish this half-term, our unit is 'The Very Hungry Caterpillar's Picnic' where the children will learn to discuss snack food, days of the week and preferences.

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## Music



In Summer 1, our Music lessons will focus on expressing the meaning of songs as we sing, beginning to read standard rhythmic notation, and learning how to describe different genres of music we have heard and express a preference.

## PE



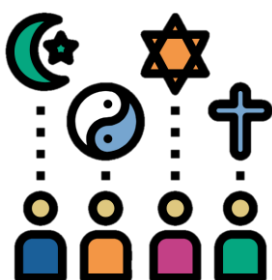
In PE, our focus will be Badminton. The children will learn how to hold a racket correctly, control a shuttlecock and strike it over a net. Pupils will practise skills through partner activities, cooperative rallies and small games. Children will develop hand-eye coordination, movement and positioning while learning how to send and receive a shuttlecock with control. As the unit progresses, pupils will begin to apply their skills in simple rallies and small-sided badminton games.

## PSHE



Our PSHE topic is 'Keeping Safe'. We will learn about the skills we need to identify situations that are safe and unsafe, including the people who can help when a situation is unsafe. We will discuss risks associated with different scenarios and suggest ways of managing and reducing them. The children will evaluate different sources on the internet and identify possible risks associated with browsing online. The children will have a brief introduction to risks associated with nicotine and alcohol.

## RE



In this RE unit, children will learn about the religion of Sikhism, focusing on its key beliefs and important celebrations. They will explore festivals such as Vaisakhi and understand how and why they are celebrated by Sikh communities.