

Art & Design, Design and Technology and Music

In **Art**, we will continue to hone our sketching skills. We will be improving our understanding of proportions and taking inspiration from Viking artefacts and patterns to create some interesting Viking portraits. During **D&T**, we will be learning how to sew and creating our very own felt cases! In **Music**, we will be studying Reggae in Autumn 1 and ABBA in Autumn 2. In particular, there will be a focus on learning 'Three Little Birds' and 'Mamma Mia'. Each unit will have a strong focus on listening and appraising the music, developing a 'musical ear'. We will also be using instruments to create class ensembles! We will have class instruments, however if your child already has music lessons, please ask them to bring along their instrument on music days!

PE

In PE this term, we are studying Netball, Football, Gymnastics and Dance.

We will endeavor to have one indoor hall lesson and one outdoor lesson each week.

Maths

Children will work on strengthening their knowledge of the four operations and their understanding of place value with larger numbers. Children will focus on increasing fluency with number work, securing methods of mental and written addition and subtraction. Children will begin to explore shape, including perimeter, towards the end of the term.

History and Geography

Our focus is on the Vikings and Anglo-Saxons. The children will learn whom the Vikings were as well as when and where they raided and settled. They will learn about significant events from the period and order these chronologically on a timeline. The children will find out about the Anglo-Saxon kings who ruled during the 'Viking Age' and examine their influence and significance in British history.

PSHE & RE

In RE, the children will be learning about key aspects of the Buddhist faith. The children will work creatively to enhance their learning experience. They will find out where Buddhism originated, about special places linked to Buddhism and about key festivals in Buddhist life.

In PSHE, we will look at ourselves and how we view different things around us, such as our perfect classroom. We will also focus on rewards and sanctions and how this affects our own classes. After half term, we will be celebrating differences and looking at similarities and differences within families.

Computing

Our topic is 'Authoring'. We will be using our knowledge of the Vikings and Anglo-Saxons to create an informative presentation. We will also be learning about storing data, as well as learning word processing skills that will enable us to create the presentations.

Lower Key Stage 2

Autumn 2022

English

This term we will be reading an exciting range of stories such as 'Arthur and the Golden Rope', 'Mini Rabbit Not Lost' and 'The King Who Banned the Dark'. Reading these books will provide the children with plenty of opportunities to explore characters, settings and how different stories are constructed. Exploring these fiction books will expose children to and provide them with chances to write descriptively.

Throughout these units we will also be learning different spelling, punctuation and grammar skills that will improve our writing techniques.

Science

This 'Light' unit will teach your class about light, reflections and shadows. They will learn about different sources of light, and that we need light to see. The children will work scientifically and collaboratively to investigate reflective materials, in the context of designing a new book bag. They will work in a hands on way to play a range of mirror games, finding out more about reflective surfaces. They will develop their scientific enquiry skills, making observations, predictions and conclusions.

Modern Foreign Languages

In French, we will be learning simple conversations and how to introduce ourselves using the correct vocabulary and punctuation. As well as this, we will be learning numbers 1-20.

In the second half of the term, we will be learning how to talk about animals in French. This will allow us to create links and learn some colours in French.