

Music

We will be making our own music, while exploring the work of some of the most influential women in music over the last 100 years.

English

We will be reading extracts from Neil Gaiman's *The Graveyard Book* and will be using these to inspire our own atmospheric writing. We will be exploring different ways to create atmosphere and build tension, whilst improving our descriptive writing.

In spelling, we will be revising some of the spelling rules from KS2, but mainly focussing on learning how to spell some tricky prefixes and suffixes.

In Reading, we will be focussing on finding evidence to back up our opinions and will be continuing with improving our inference skills, whilst looking at the *Snow Queen* and the classic poem *Silver* by Walter de la Mare.

Art, Design and DT

Our focus in design technology is 'fairground rides.' We will be looking at examples of carousels and the mechanisms that drive these, creating a design brief that answers a problem, designing a merry-go-round that is powered by a motor and creating this. Our ICT will involve creation of a website advertising our rides.

MFL

This half-term, we will be learning language related to 'time' and weekend activities.

Useful Information

PE will continue to be on a Tuesday and Thursday. Please ensure children now wear their school PE kits on these days.

Homelearning will be set on Google Classroom on a Friday, to be completed by the following Thursday. There will be a Maths activity, a Spelling activity and an English/Topic activity set. Each activity should take no longer than 30 minutes, but please contact Mrs Vernon, if your child has any difficulties completing these.

In addition to this, we are still expecting children to read daily and to complete 20 minutes on TTRS every week.



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Topic – Why do we need light?

We will begin this unit by learning about electricity. The children will be extending their knowledge of circuits from year 4: learning circuit symbols, finding out about conductors and insulators and discovering resistance. The children will then learn about 'light' within the context of solving a crime. We will be learning about how light travels, shadow formation, refraction, splitting light into a spectrum and how we see. Underpinning all of this will be development of key scientific enquiry skills.

PE

This half term, the children will be developing their racquet skills in tennis and will also be improving their track and field skills in athletics.

Maths

Ratio and Proportion

We will be learning how to calculate ratio and use this in solving proportion and scaling problems.

Position and Direction

We will be learning how to plot points in all 4 quadrants and how to reflect and translate shapes around a grid.

Fractions and Percentages

We will be revising our previous learning on calculating with Fractions and Percentages, and using this understanding to help solve real life word problems. This will also be linked to decimals and multiplying and dividing by 10, 100 and 1000.

RE

We will be exploring the type of King Jesus is and will be discussing what God's kingdom is like and if we have achieved it on earth.

PSHE & Citizenship

Our Jigsaw topic is 'Relationships'. The children will be thinking about the importance of mental health and the impact that positive relationships can have on this. They will consider the impact of 'loss' and the feelings that this gives rise to.