

English

Our writing unit for this term is based on the book 'The Barnabus Project' by the Fan Brothers. Children will take inspiration from this story to help them create their own creature. For their character description, the children will be applying a range of skills such as using the Royal Order of Adjectives, an embedded clause and a subordinate clause. In the second half of the term, the children will be experimenting with different language and varied skills such as speech and fronted adverbials to create their own story endings.

Mathematics

Following on from our previous unit on decimals, we will be applying our decimal knowledge during our money topic so we can add and subtract money, work out change and answer word problems. We will continue our measurement unit by looking at time, recapping telling the time to 5 minute and 1-minute intervals. We will then start to apply our understanding to reading and converting analogue to digital, in both 12 and 24-hour formats.

Religious Education

Our topic this half term is 'To the ends of the Earth'. The children will complete the narrative of St Peter as they look at the Resurrection from St John's gospel and make links with St Matthew's account of Peter's declaration of faith and subsequent betrayal. We will then, through the story of St Peter, look at the role of the Pope as St Peter's successor and begin to understand the structure of the Church and why it is called 'apostolic'.

Reading

The children will be reading the exciting adventure novel 'The Firework Maker's Daughter' by Philip Pullman. Pupils will be strengthening many reading skills such as summarising, being able to justify using inferences and scanning the text to help them answer comprehension questions.

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Computing

During this term, we will be using a system called Logo which is a text-based programming system. The children will be learning about this system and develop their coding skills by creating a series of commands and then putting them together into algorithms.

Science

Children will be learning about states of matter and how we can change state through heating and cooling. Our topic will start by children investigating the key language associated with this topic as well as reminding ourselves how we can clearly record an investigation. We will explore the melting point of different materials and improve our measuring skills using thermometers. We will also explore factors affecting rainfall and other extreme weather in mountainous regions.

Geography

Our geography topic this half term will be focusing on Eastern Europe and comparing it to England. The children will start by researching the human and physical features of a country in Eastern Europe. They will also learn out the invisible lines around the Earth. In addition to this, they will compare the physical geography and climate with that of the Southeast of England.