

English We will begin the half term by receiving a mystery message in a bottle. The children will speculate about who this message is from and where they are stranded, before learning how to write an informal message in response. After, the children will learn about sea shanties through pirate themed poetry before they are introduced to 'The Pirate Next Door' by Jonny Duddle. The children will take part in drama and role play activities before story writing about pirates. Lastly, the children will write in a non-fiction style to explain facts about their own fictional sea creatures and their matching habitats. The children will continue to practise their handwriting on a daily basis and learn different spelling rules to support them to accurately spell words.

Music

The children will be learning about tuned and untuned instruments through a unit of work called 'Grandma Rap.' They will be creating their own piece of music using a range of symbols to record their composition in written form, so that others can also play the music they have created.

Maths

In Maths we will be having a big focus on multiplication and division. We will start by recapping our learning on counting in 2s, 5s and 10s, then we will look at how this information applies to the symbols \times and \div . The children will learn how to make arrays, and how information can either be presented as repeated addition or times table facts e.g. $2+2+2$ is the same as 3×2 . The children will finish by applying their knowledge to problem solving.

Computing

The children will learn how to use the internet to gain information, building on their internet knowledge gained during their previous topic. One of the key aspects the children will learn is how to be safe online, as well as the importance of being 'kind' online. This will develop into discussion about the way in which comments are made online and what is/is not appropriate, and how to deal with inappropriate comments.

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Science

This half term the children will continue to record the findings of their longitudinal studies. They will measure themselves and look at how the measurements compare to their previous results. Also, the children will learn more about habitats and how animals are suited to them.

Geography

We will be learning about compasses, symbols and keys on maps, as well as getting to know the seven oceans and five continents of the world. This will all be around the theme of pirates; reading maps and giving directions to locate the treasure around the world.

RHE

The children will learn about 'belonging to a community.' We will start by considering how everyone is equal, and the children will reflect on what groups they belong to. We will also think about the messages in the story 'Giraffes can't dance.' The children will talk about respect and celebrate the similarities and differences between people.

Physical Education

In PE this half term the children will be learning the five key gymnastic shapes. They will be mastering the basic movements as well as balance, agility and co-ordination. The children will be performing their very own sequences using a variety of equipment.

Art

For Art this half term, the children will be going underwater! They will be learning about murals, in particular underwater animal murals, before completing their own mural in school. They will use the work of the artist Wyland as inspiration for their art work; thinking about how his work considers the relationship between humans and the environment.

RE

The theme for this half term is 'People Jesus Met.' We will start by talking about change; what is change? What changes have we experienced? How does change make us feel? We will then learn about the changes that happened to people after they met Jesus, linking to specific stories in the Bible.