



Chapter 3 Learning Journey

English

We will be writing a return narrative based on 'Jemmy Button', followed by developing our skills in letter writing. In reading, we will be continuing our Steps to Read and studying a range of quality texts and genres, focusing on comprehension. Spelling focuses will be the /k/ sound spelt ch, /sh/ sound spelt ch, words ending with the /g/ & /k/ sound spelt gue and que, /s/ sound spelt, /i/ sound spelt y and /u/ sound spelt ou.

Music

Can you hear the paint pallet?

How do you create music using shapes, lines and colours? This term Chapter 3 are exploring the art work of Kandinsky and links between this and the music he listened to. The children will use shapes lines and colours to compose Graphic scores in the style of his abstract art. We will then be applying the knowledge we have about percussion instruments to explore appropriate timbres to represent thunderstorms.

Physical Education

This half term, the children will be starting Gymnastics. They will be exploring creativity in stretching, curling and arching, focusing on flexibility, balance and strength. The pupils will continue to participate in cross country. During games lessons, the children will be continuing to develop their skills in team games.

Computing

During this unit, pupils will become familiar with the terms 'text' and 'images' and understand that they can be used to communicate messages. They will use desktop publishing software and consider careful choices of font size, colour and type to edit and improve premade documents. Pupils will be introduced to the terms 'templates', 'orientation', and 'placeholders' and begin to understand how these can support them in making their own template for a magazine front cover. They will start to add text and images to create their own pieces of work using desktop publishing software. Pupils will look at a range of page layouts thinking carefully about the purpose of these and evaluate how and why desktop publishing is used in the real world.

Science

This half term, we will be learning about the way in which living things get energy and the different food requirements for a range of animals. We will then move on to looking at the different bones in the human body, before developing our understanding of the structure and function of bones in other animals. We will complete our unit by looking at the body moves with the help of muscles.

Mathematics

Pupils will then move on to looking at time, involving: telling and writing the time using 12-hour analogue and digital clocks, including using Roman numerals from I to XII, estimating and reading time with increasing accuracy to the nearest minute, record and compare time, use vocabulary such as o'clock, a.m./p.m., morning, afternoon, noon and midnight. They will then move on to Fractions, looking at the part/whole relationship, equal vs unequal parts, unit and non-unit fractions. They will work towards calculating fractions of quantities, comparing fractions and identifying equivalent fractions.

Humanities

In Geography, the topic of 'Agriculture' looks at pastoral and arable farming. Children will consider how farming changes the land, how our food affects farming and look at sheep farming in Wales. In History, children will be learning about Persia and Greece. They will look at the Persian empire, Greek-city states, Greek gods and goddesses, languages and finally the Greek and Persian wars. Both topics are supported by a reading text.

Spanish

El Nabo Enorme y La Familia

The topic this half term will focus on memory and performance in the retelling of the story, 'El Nabo Enorme' - The Giant Turnip. Pupils will be introduced to vocabulary from the story - family members, pets, farmyard vocabulary and will listen to and join in with the story. After activities aimed at developing memory and practising pronunciation, pupils will retell the story in groups and will record their performances.

RE

This half term, Year 3 will be learning about Judaism. They will begin by looking at the Jewish Bible. Through stories, they will learn about the importance of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob within the religion.

DT

This half term, Year 3 will be learning how to make bread! We will research the Warburton family and learn about different types of bread. We will be taste testing different breads and filling options as well as designing our own loaves. We will practice making dough by making salt dough before finally creating our own loaves.

LC+

This half term, Year 3 will be learning all about first aid. They will be looking at how to help with bites and stings, as well as understanding how to call for help if they are faced with an emergency. We will also be running as part of our fitness programme.

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