

As Historians we will investigate famous faces and famous events including Bonfire Night, the first moon landing and Remembrance Day.

We will be exploring the lives of the following famous people: Florence Nightingale, Mary Seacole, Neil Armstrong, Alexander Graham Bell, Grace Darling, John Dunlop, Pablo Picasso, Guy Fawkes, Samuel Pepys and Edward Wilson.

We will use real life experiences, artefacts and timelines to develop our understanding.

As Designers we will design and make glove puppets. We will develop our stitching skills and learn to follow our designs carefully.

As Artists we will investigate images of people in paintings, photographs and self-portraits. Using a range of drawing materials and techniques, we will mix and use colour to create our very own self portrait. Our key artist this term will be Pablo Picasso.

How can you help at home?

- Maintain home school reading diary
- Practise weekly spellings
- Help your child to learn key number facts e.g 2, 5, 10 tables, number bonds, doubles and halves to 20
- Develop your child's understanding of time
- Discuss 'Famous People' in the news, visit museums, read non-fiction books about the people we are researching.

Music

As Musicians in term 1 we will be exploring steady beat and rhythm patterns and developing our understanding of pitch. We will move on to learn to control changing tempo and create different rhythms using body percussion and instruments in Term 2.

PE

Gymnastics: We will be creating linked sequences including a roll, balance, jump and travelling.

Dance: We will be choreographing a dance around the theme of the Great Fire of London in which we will explore, remember and link a range of actions with coordination and control.

Games: Throughout both terms we will be revising our throwing and catching skills and applying these skills to small group games.

PHSCE

- Classroom expectations and etiquette.
- Feelings & emotions
- Managing Risk

Computing

In Term 1 we will be using a range of devices to develop our mouse and keyboard control. We will be using programs such as Tuxpaint.

In Term 2 we will be creating an e-book which includes text, images and sounds. *Throughout the year we will focus on using technology safely and respectfully.*

RE

Islam and Christianity

Multicultural festivals/events

Harvest
Remembrance Day
Diwali
Advent
Christmas
Bonfire Night
Hanukkah

Science- Key focus: Materials

As Scientists we will be identifying & comparing the suitability of a variety of everyday materials for particular uses. We will be investigating (asking questions, making predictions, testing & drawing conclusions) how the shape of solid objects can be changed by heating or cooling or by applying a force.

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Famous Faces

This term we will be investigating the lives and achievements of famous people from the past, as well as significant historical events. Through this topic we will be learning about inventors, explorers and inspirational people who have influenced the way we live today.

English

Stories with familiar settings (Lighthouse Keeper's Lunch)

Traditional tales

Poetry- (A variety of poems with familiar themes)

Instructions (Variety of instructional texts)

Mathematics

Read, write and order numbers to 100

Count forwards and backwards in ones and tens

Add and subtract numbers under 20 mentally

Use a ruler to draw and measure lines to nearest cm

Name and describe common 2D and 3D shapes