

Literacy

This half-term, the text 'One Dog and his Boy' will form the basis of our Guided Reading lessons. In our literacy lessons, we will be looking at the story of Mauro Proseperi; The Desert Runner Who Drank his Own Wee. We will re-cap our use of fronted adverbials, relative clauses and colon lists whilst writing a letter from the Sahara Desert in the role of Mauro Prosperi. Drama will also be incorporated into our Literacy and Guided Reading lessons.

Geography

Our topic this half term is Deserts. We will be looking at what a desert is and where some of the world's largest deserts can be found. We will also be looking at the climates of different deserts and how different animals, plants and people adapt to live in these extreme environments.

ART

In art, we will be focusing on perspective art related to our Desert topic. We will be looking at the skills of creating perspective and then using pastels/pencil crayon to create desert scenes.

ICT

The children will develop their skills of finding information online using appropriate search engines. They will decide which sections are appropriate to copy and paste and will then organise the information found into a presentation using a range of applications and devices. They will learn how to add sound effects and other presentation features to communicate their ideas more effectively. Children will also continue to embed their E-safety knowledge that we have learnt throughout the year.

Maths

This half-term, we will be focusing on Fractions. We will look at the how to read, write and represent fractions using diagrams and equipment to support our learning. We will also look at how we can add fractions and find fractions of amounts. We will then apply our skills to a range of different contexts by answering problem solving and reasoning questions. We will continue to recap the basic skills such as adding, subtracting, doubling, halving and other mental strategies. We will also practise times tables daily to improve accuracy and speed.

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PE

In PE, we will be focusing on Health-Related Fitness. The children will develop their understanding of the importance of a warm up and cool down. They will take part in a range of challenging activities and learn how these activities keep our bodies fit and healthy. We will also be developing our rounders skills so that we can apply what we have learnt in a competitive context at the end of term.

Music

This half term the children will continue to appraise different pieces of music and will develop their ability to listen to a piece and decide what instruments are being used. They will also focus on listening and describing music using musical vocabulary.

RE

In RE, we will be learning about pilgrims. The children will develop their understanding of what a pilgrim is whilst focusing on the question 'does a pilgrimage have to be a place of worship?'

Science

Throughout this half-term, our science topic is 'Let's Get Moving'. We will look at the forces of gravity, friction, air resistance and water resistance. We will carry out a range of investigations to explore the effects that these forces have on moving objects. We will also study the scientist Isaac Newton and learn about his discoveries and how they have influenced the world.