

English

We will be looking at the life and legacy of Mahatma Gandhi in English lessons this half term and the children will compose some writing about the key events of his life.



Pupils will be writing diary entries, newspaper articles and biographies. Throughout their writing composition work, the children will focus on TAP (task, audience, purpose) to help them show an awareness of their audience whilst writing.

In guided reading sessions, pupils will work on their analytical skills and in all lessons we will be improving our spelling, punctuation and grammar skills.

Religious Education

We will be finding out about the structure of the Bible this half term. Pupils will be able to locate Bible references efficiently and have a better idea of the people who wrote the Bible.

We will find out about the followers of Christ: how Jesus called them and how we still have vocations today.



We will discuss a range of prayers from our faith (and some prayer customs from other faiths), write our own version of a Psalm and understand how Mass is the most important prayer.

We will spend a while thinking about the importance of Advent - in particular the O Antiphons.

Art

The children will look at ways to express their personalities by transforming their names into graffiti. They will look at the work of Kathe Kollwitz and Picasso (focusing on 'Guernica') and will create clay sculptures based on the work of Kollwitz.



Science

In Science we will be studying living things in their habitats. This will involve the children classifying organisms according to their features. They will learn about influential scientists in this area.



The children will also learn about light: shadow; reflection and refraction; how we see; angles of reflection and also make functioning periscopes.

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Computing

Pupils will gain an understanding of spreadsheets and how they can be used. They will learn skills in formatting and entering specific formulae. The children will investigate skills to solve specific problems. They will experiment using number calculations, sports league tables, test scores, and budget planning.



Geography

The children will first find out about the contrasting regions of the Americas, finding out about the landscape, climate and locations of each area. They will also develop their map and atlas skills and practise reading and writing coordinates. They will learn about the ancient and new wonders of the world, specifically those of the Americas, and they will research a natural wonder of the Americas and create their own presentations to teach others what they learn.



Maths



We have started this year by recapping some key number skills including place value and working with numbers up to 10 million.

We will be embedding efficient and effective written methods of calculation for the four main operations.

The children will be working on solving problems involving fractions: finding fractions of numbers; simplifying fractions; comparing fractions; adding and subtracting fractions; multiplying and dividing fractions.

Towards the end of the half term, we will be plotting coordinates and working on reflecting and translating shapes in different quadrants.

PE

In dance, pupils will focus on developing an idea or theme into dance choreography. They will work in pairs and groups using different choreographing tools to create dances e.g. formations, timing, dynamics.



In Tag Rugby, pupils will develop key skills and principles such as defending, attacking, throwing, catching, running and dodging.

Later in the term, we will be improving our skills in basketball and gymnastics.

