



Termly Overview

CLASS: Oak

Spring 2019

Theme: Amazing Places

ENGLISH

This term the children will cover units in reports, short stories and poetry. The children will read a range of texts within these genres to develop their skills in summarising the main points and identify features of the focus genre. We will also be having a focus on vocabulary and exploring the meaning of words they have read. In their writing, the children will continue to use a range of sentence types. The children will consolidate their understanding of the passive voice and begin to use the subjunctive form in formal writing. We will be learning how to use colons and semi colons to separate clauses and continue to use punctuation to indicate parenthesis. The children will be continuing to learn about spelling patterns. Spellings will continue to be sent home on a Monday.

MATHEMATICS

The children have started this term by learning about negative numbers and roman numerals. They will be continuing to learn how to solve problems in different contexts using formal written methods for addition, subtraction, multiplication and division. The children will learn to write and read decimals as fractions and continue to develop their understanding of rounding. They will also be calculating mentally with increasingly large numbers. Pupils will learn how to solve comparison, sum and difference problems using information presented in a line graph. We will be encouraging the children to practise times tables facts weekly to improve fluency. In Geometry, the children will revise work on angles and describe the position of a shape after reflection or rotation.

SCIENCE

Our focus for this term is 'Forces in Action'. We will be exploring the effect of gravity, and identifying the effects of air resistance, water resistance and friction that act between moving surfaces. We will also look at how some mechanisms such as levers, pulleys and gears, allow a smaller force to have a greater effect. We will link this work to our revision of 'Earth and space.' We will also explore the way that light behaves, including light sources, reflections and shadows. This will also lead into an investigation on the growth of plants as part of our revision on 'Living things and their habitats.'

COMPUTING

'The children will explore how computer networks connect people in ways that allow them to work together and share information and resources. In addition to this, pupils will learn about key aspects of e-safety and digital citizenship enabling them to engage in smart and safe use of technologies.

TOPIC (History, Geography, Art and Design, Design and Technology) AMAZING PLACES

The children will begin by learning about our local area. They will explore and examine rural life and research rural jobs. The children will come more familiar with maps and learn to use a compass with the aim of making a map of the school grounds. In contrast to this, the children will then learn about a range of places around the world including: The Grand Canyon, Mexico, the Andes and the Alps. The children will explore the different geographical landscapes, land use and climate and link this to work in Art and DT. Towards the end of the term the children will be making a mountain structure in DT and creating a 2D piece of artwork using the Grand Canyon as stimuli.

MUSIC

The Shropshire Music Service will be continuing to deliver recorder tuition this term. Lessons will take place on a Thursday afternoon. In addition to this children will learn composition skills using tuned and percussion instruments.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

This term we will be thinking about two key aspects. Firstly, we will be exploring the Gospel. We will be focusing on stories from the Bible, including Parables, and reflecting on the messages they give to Christians about how they should live their lives. We will then investigate how and why Christians celebrate Easter.

PSHE

We will explore the themes of 'Getting on and Falling Out' using our SEAL materials to support our exploration of these issues. Through these units we will be applying our reflections to our everyday lives at school and at home. Our PSHE work will link closely with our continuing focus on British Values.

PHYSICAL EDUCATION

This term in PE, children will be going swimming and learning about gymnastics during their TNS session. PE lessons will take place on a Tuesday. Please can children have the correct PE kit, including trainers, in school all week.

MODERN LANGUAGES

Children will revise work on speaking and spelling numbers and use this to tell the time. The children will later go on to learn about names of places in a town and to ask and answer questions about them.

HOMEWORK

Children in Y5/6 should spend approximately 1.5 hours per week on homework. The homework tasks will link to our work in English and maths. These will be given out and explained to the children on a Thursday. It should be handed in on a Wednesday, into the 'Homework' tray in the classroom. Tasks also include daily reading, spellings and times tables practise. There will also be a termly project which will be based on our topic.