

Years 2, 3 & 4 Spring Term 2 2023

History/ Geography

In Geography the children will be looking at where food comes from and the advantages/ disadvantages of buying locally compared to importing food. They will learn which foods grow biomes, what food miles are and how this impacts the environment. The children will also learn about responsible trade and consider the positive and negative impacts this has on local people. Towards the end of the term the children will conduct some fieldwork by finding out where the food in their school dinners originates.

English

Our English unit this half term will focus on writing a persuasive speech using strong persuasive literary devices, including emotive language and rhetorical questions to hook and involve the reader as well as structural devices including paragraphing and fronted adverbials to signpost to the reader to the key parts of the argument.

The children will enjoy learning the story 'Jack's Beanstalk Stinks!' before then going on to create their own persuasive speech based on different character perspectives within a popular children's fairy tale, performing it to an audience of their classmates.

Maths

Year 3 will be starting the term by learning about money and recognising the different denominations. They will learn simple addition and subtraction of money. They will then go on to learn about Time and how to tell time to the nearest minute using analogue and digital time. Year 4 will be starting this term learning about decimals. They will learn how to count, order and record the decimals in different ways. They will also link tenths and hundredths with dividing by 10 and 100. They will then follow this by learning about money.

PHSE

This term our unit is called Being Healthy. We will be looking at our diet, exercise and about our friendships.

RE

The children will look at the Bible and learn about the last days of Jesus' ministry on Earth, from Palm Sunday to Jesus' resurrection.

Science

For Science this term, children will be investigating the role of flowers, fruits and seeds in the world ecosystem. They will begin by identifying and naming the key biological features of a plant and build their expertise on the plant life cycle, creating annotated botanical illustrations and cross section diagrams based on the work of famous scientists, such as W. Keble Martin. They will also explore the importance of flowers and bees within the pollination and fertilisation process. They will also learn how flowering plants produce fruit and the different forms of seed dispersal in nature.

Computing

In Computing this half term, the children will be learning all about blogging. We will look at existing blogs and discuss their purpose, audience and layout before creating our own ones. We will be adding text and media to make them engaging for others.

PE

This term we will be building on our REAL PE skills by focusing on the skill of sending and receiving and working with a partner on counter balances. We will be using the 'Creative Cog' to respond differently to a variety of tasks and to be able to make up our own rules or versions of a game.

Art & DT

Within Art, we will be combining art and craft using painting and sewing together to make an art landscape. We will use stitch to create texture, marks and energy on the painted canvas. Whilst creating our canvas we will looking at the artists Alice Kettle and Hannah Rae and how they as artists combine media and use them in unusual ways to make art.