

English

This half term children will be using the text 'Charlie's Bag' as part of our Talk For Writing to develop their skills as writers. We will then move on to information writing for non – fiction. Pupils will also have weekly guided reading sessions, comprehension, spelling and handwriting lessons to develop and embed key skills. Children will also engage in writing opportunities through our topic by writing riddles and creating a poster of an excavation.

Mathematics

Throughout the term we will continue to develop the children's numeracy skills through regular practise of basic skills and place value activities. The pupils will engage in lots of games and challenges which begin to deepen and embed many mathematical methods and skills. Children will have weekly times table tests to help them recall multiplication facts quickly. We will focus on addition and subtraction word problems, drawing shapes to specifications, direction and length
this term

Science

Children will focus on the topic light and dark. They will recognise the differences between light and dark, understand how too much light from the sun can be dangerous to us, investigate which surfaces reflect light, explore how mirrors can be used to reflect light and to discuss which materials block light to form shadows. Pupils will take part in scientific enquiry activities through the topic by making predictions, conducting fair tests, presenting results and drawing conclusions on what they have learnt.

Art and Design

Pupils will have opportunities to sketch a picture of a traditional, Anglo – Saxon house and to design and make a brooch. Children will help make an Anglo – Saxon recipe.

Class: 2 Years: 2 and 3
Term: Spring 2019



The Anglo – Saxons

Computing

Children will continue with coding programs and explore the importance of e – safety. Pupils will participate in many research based activities associated with our topic; investigating the Sutton Hoo excavation and the famous Anglo – Saxon king, Alfred the Great.

History/Geography

Children will identify where the Anglo – Saxons invaded from and why. They will name and locate the seven kingdoms of Britain under Saxon rule, before labelling a map of Britain to show some Anglo – Saxon habitations. Pupils will explore their daily life and identify the jobs carried out by men, women and children in this period. They will look at the features of Anglo – Saxon houses and design suitable clothing for these people, from only available materials of the time. Children will create a menu reflecting the typical food eaten and write a message using runes. They will also study Anglo – Saxon artefacts.

Physical Education

In gymnastics children will be improving their shapes, jumps, rolls and balances, performing these at different levels and with control. They will use floor and apparatus, work individually, with a partner and within a small group. Pupils will compose sequences which show changes in levels and direction and perform these in front of others.

Religious Education

Children will explore how holy books are sources of guidance and authority in some people's lives. They will identify how believers use holy books in both Christianity and Judaism. Pupils will then move on to why Easter is special to Christians and study the Jewish festivals, Hanukkah and Pesach.

Forest Schools/PSHE

Children will reflect and set targets/aspirations for the coming year and identify the qualities needed to make a good friend. They will also explore pet welfare.

How you can help at home

Practising rapid recall of multiplication tables will support children in their problem-solving maths work in school – your child will know which tables he/she is working on. The children may be asked to complete homework tasks related to our class activities – talking about ideas, facts and information as well as supporting the children in their research at home will be extremely helpful. Regular reading to and with your children will help with their English skills, as well as pupils receiving weekly spelling tests. Many thanks.

Music

Pupils will identify Anglo – Saxon instruments and investigate how they were played.