

English

This half term we will be focussing on chiller stories, including Graveyard and an adaptation of Alma. We will also be focussing on a range of grammar and punctuation skills.

Children will write:

- ◇ An explanation text based on Holes.
- ◇ The opening of their own chiller narrative.
- ◇ A letter



History

The broad trends of crime and punishment will be introduced from the Romans to the 21st century, including the Anglo-Saxons, Vikings, Medieval, Tudors, Victorians and modern day times.

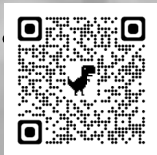


Computing

Spring 1 will focus on Big Data (1). The focus is on understanding about the use of big data including barcodes, QR codes, infrared, and RFID technologies.

Children will:

- ◇ create and scan their own QR codes
- ◇ manipulate real-time data in spreadsheets, and present their findings.
- ◇ analyse transport data to understand its usefulness to commuters.

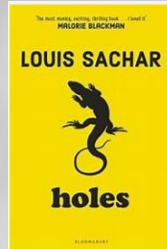


PSHE

With a focus on citizenship, children will look at environmental issues relating to food as well as how education and other human rights protect us. Children will cover how people can influence what happens in parliament. Discussing ways to challenge prejudice and discrimination.

Reading

We will continue our love of reading and developing our strategies by listening and discussing books: DK Encyclopaedia, Kind Henry IV, Survivors, The Lost magician and Holes.



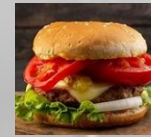
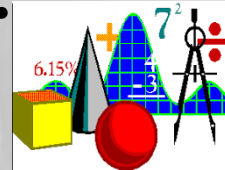
French

Children will learn the nouns and determiners for ten 'healthy' & 'less healthy' foods. By the end of this unit pupils will be able to say what they eat and do not eat and drink and do not drink to stay healthy. They will also learn the language for a variety of physical activities and will be presented with a healthy recipe.

Maths

Arithmetic will continue to be a key focus this half term. Other concepts taught / revisited will be:

- ◇ Fractions, decimals and percentages
- ◇ multiplication and division of decimals
- ◇ shape, angle & translation
- ◇ Multi-step word problems



PE

The focus for this half term is dance and volleyball.

In dance lessons children will focus on:

- ◇ developing a theme into dance choreography.
- ◇ using movement to convey ideas, emotions and characters.
- ◇ working in pairs and groups to perform dances.

When playing volleyball children will:

- ◇ use the fast catch volley to create space and place the ball.
- ◇ develop the set shot and understand when to use it.
- ◇ develop the dig and understand when to use it.
- ◇ select and apply skills to keep a continuous rally going.
- ◇ develop the underarm serve and learn the rules of serving.
- ◇ apply rules, skills and principles to play in a tournament.

Science

This half term our focus is on light. We will be investigating light sources. As well as how light travels and how the eye can see. We work with mirrors and investigate reflecting and refracting light, planning an investigation and noting findings.

RE

In this unit the children will learn about:

- ◇ St. Augustine's ideas on sin as a defect rather than an effect – referring to Socrates and Plato's work stating that ignorance is the cause of sin.
- ◇ Theological understandings of right and wrong.
- ◇ Moral issues such as poverty and wealth, peace and conflict or justice and injustice – looking at Christian attitudes to suffering.
- ◇ Humanist use of empathy and reason when making moral decisions.
- ◇ What is Utilitarianism? And how does this relate to making moral decisions.

DT

This half term we will be focussed on our Food and nutrition topic. We are going to be focussed on identifying elements of the ingredients, such as fats/salts/carbohydrates etc. The unit will end with the children making burgers from different ingredients

Music

All the learning is focused around one song from Benjamin Britten's Friday Afternoons: A New Year Carol. Other learning gives the children the opportunity to research Benjamin Britten's life and to listen to many of his other works through links to fridayafternoonsmusic.co.uk