

English

This half term, we will be learning how to write a diary entry. We will be looking at a range of different diaries and the features. We will be using the book 'Leon and the Place Between' and imagining we are the main character, Leon, when helping us to write our diary entries. We will also be writing instructions to explain how to make our model boats with a pulley system from our work in DT. Finally, we will be writing some poetry linked with the poem 'The Sound Collector.'

In Reading, children will be learning to use the four key skills of summarise, predict, retrieve and infer to answer questions related to different texts.

Maths

We will be continuing to develop our knowledge about Fractions. We will be identifying the difference between unit and non-unit fractions, comparing and ordering fractions as well as adding and subtracting fractions. We will also be looking at mass and capacity. We will be learning which unit of measure is appropriate to use, adding and subtracting amounts and reading scales to identify the volume and mass of objects.

Music

Children will be learning to sing in French and making music themed around 'Communication.'. They will learn how to make music inspired by technology and enhance their knowledge of French through music.

Spelling

Year 3 are focusing heavily on improving their spellings and in the next half term they will be mainly learning:

- homophones such as you're and your
- prefixes such as 'un' 'super' 'dis' 'mis' and 'pre.'
- the 'zh' and 'ch' sounds in words
- to spell 'ly' words correctly
- spelling words with 'zhun' sound- division

PSHE

In PSHE, children will be building upon our prior knowledge about healthy lifestyles and answering the question 'Why should we keep active and sleep well?'

Science

In Science, this half term, children will build upon their wonderful work in Autumn about plants. They will learn to be able to:

- Identify and describe the functions of different parts of flowering plants such as the root, stem leaves and flowers
- Explore the part flowers play in the life cycle of flowering plants, including pollination, seed formation and seed dispersal.

Local History



French

Our next French topic is 'Les Quatre Amis', which means 'The Four Friends' in English.

Computing

In Computing lessons, children will be learning to use branching databases. They will experience using databases and learn why they are used, which will then enable them to create their own.

PE

Our PE topics this half term are Football and Outdoor Adventurous Activities (OAA). In OAA, children will learn how to problem solve, work as a team and orientate a map. In Football, children will develop their passing skills, dribbling skills and the ability to receive and control the ball.

DT

In Design and Technology, the children will be developing their knowledge of mechanisms. They will be designing and building a model boat with a pulley system and linking this with our History topic where we learn about the local history and transport systems in Victorian times.

History

Children will be learning all about the local history of Leeds. We will be exploring what Leeds was like during the Victorian period and comparing this with what life was like when people first settled in Leeds. We will look at how Leeds grew the textile industry and developed markets and the Leeds canal as part of the Industrial Revolution.