Maths

In our daily maths session this half term the focus will start with learning about 'what is area', how to find the area of a shape and comparing the area of different shapes. We will then move onto multiplication and division A. During this unit the children will learn multiples of 6,7,9,11, and 12. They will then learn the times tables for these multiples and the related division facts. Throughout this unit the children will learn strategies to help them to remember and work our their times tables. This unit also focuses on multiplying and dividing by 1 and 0. We finish multiplication and division A with multiplying three numbers.

. History

Our History topic is 'invasion'. Throughout this unit pupils will learn about the cause and consequences of the Anglo-Saxon invasion and what everyday life was like in Anglo-Saxon Britain. We will learn about Sutton Hoo and its significance with understanding Anglo-Saxons beliefs and customs. We will finish by exploring how the Anglo Saxons responded to the Viking invasion

RE

This half term we are learning about the Christian faith. Our big question is 'Does the Christmas narrative need Mary?' We will begin the unit with learning about how colour and symbols are used in religion. We will then explore the role of Mary in the Christmas story and investigate how Mary is portrayed in art, poetry and prayers. We will finish this unit with looking at the role she played as the mother of Jesus.

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PSHE

In PSHE this half term our unit is 'celebrating difference' . During this unit the children talk about judging people by their appearance, first impressions and what influences their thinking on what is normal. They will talk about bullying, including online bullying and what to do if they suspect or know that it is taking place. They will discuss the pressures of being a witness and why some people choose to join in or choose to not tell anyone about what they have seen. The children will finish the unit by talking about their own uniqueness and what is special about themselves

Science

In Science this half term our unit is grouping and classifying. This project teaches children about grouping living things, known as classification. During the unit, the children will study the animal and plant kingdoms. The children will finish the unit by using and creating classification keys to identify living things.

Geography

Our Geography topic this half term is 'Bonjour, Hola, Ciao' During this unit pupils will be locating European countries We will learn about the physical and human features of the Italian city of Bologna. We then compare Bologna to Milton Keynes.

English

Our first unit this half term is 'the whale' which is a narrative. During this unit pupils will use fronted adverbials, emotive vocabulary and dialogue. Our second unit this half term is 'the river' by Valerie Bloom which is a poetry unit focusing on figurative language. Pupils will finish this unit by writing their own poems. In addition to our English lessons, which are focussed on writing composition, we will have daily SPAG and reading lessons. In our reading lessons will have two sessions of book talk where ppils discuss a book in their groups. The other three sessions will be written comprehension.

Spellings will continue to be sent out weekly via spelling shed. If children are unable to access spelling shed, then a paper copy is always available from the class teacher.