

English:

As writers this half term, we will begin by looking at poetry and how different features can be used in various poetic forms. We will finish by writing our own river inspired poems.

After, we will study a narrative text and consider how characters and settings can drive a plot. We will write our own stories and consider how fiction writing differs from non-fiction.

Art

As artists we will study those who create landscapes based on bodies of water. We will consider what materials can be used when creating artwork before creating our own landscapes.

Our second topic this year is Rivers and Settlements. We will consider the different parts of a river, compare human and physical geography when studying rivers and settlements before embarking on two DT projects including building a bridge and a lighthouse.

Key words: Mouth, Source, Tributary, Flood, Plain, Spring, Erosion, Channel, Bed, Banks

PSHE

Initially we will finish our emotions unit by considering emotions which we or others around us might feel and how we can manage those feelings.

After, our main focus is anti-bullying which will include looking at what bullying is and what to do if we are ever involved.

RE

Our focus in RE will be the Christian calendar and the build up to Christmas. We will compare Christian traditions with those from the Jewish faith.

PE

Premier Sport will be covering my PPA on a Monday afternoon and taking the class for PE. They will focus on learning the skills needed to play a hockey match and work as a team.

Maths

As mathematicians we will be studying length and perimeter by considering the units of measurements and how we can use different methods to work out the perimeters of various shapes.

Afterwards, we shall focus on multiplication and division, continuing our learning of methods and ways to solve different calculations and the relationship between the facts.

Computing

We will learn how to create audio by identifying the input device and output devices required to work with sound digitally.

Music

As musicians, we will continue our work from year 3, studying music created by glockenspiels before composing our own.

Science

As scientists we will study different states of matter. We will look at comparing materials, experimenting with heating or cooling these materials and looking for changes over time.

Key Words: states of matter, solid, liquid, gas, cool, heat, freeze, evaporate, cycle

French

In our languages lessons we will build on our learning of how to say different family members and increasing our vocabulary and grammar.

We will also have a language of the week - picked by the children and we will focus on learning a new word every day.

Rivers and Settlements

Birch Class

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