English:

As writers this half term, we will begin by looking at a fictional narrative focusing on adventure and mystery. Our model text will be 'The Whale' and our main focus will be on developing characters through a narrative.

After, we will continue with fiction writing and read 'Iron Man' before considering how description of non-human characters can still impact the reader and their feelings towards a text.

Art

As artists, we will explore with the use of pencil to sketch, shade and create dimensions in a piece of artwork. We will consider how effects can be built upon to show realism in art.

Topic

Our next topic is Invaders and Settlers and we shall study the Anglo Saxons during the first half term. Our focus will go from invasions to famous people to settlements across the UK.

Key words: settlement, invasion, kingdom.

PSHE

Our focus this half term will be on diversity and communities and we will spend time looking at how people are different and how communities may focus and celebrate a whole range of traditions.

RE

Our focus in RE will be festivals and new beginnings seen throughout the Jewish calendar.

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 rugby match and work as a team.

Maths

As mathematicians we will be continuing to study methods for multiplying and dividing with larger numbers.

Afterwards, we shall focus on finding the area of a shape. We will recap perimeter and find out the most efficient way to work out both for a variety of shapes.

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French

In our languages lessons we will build on our learning of different habitats and how to say a range of these in French.

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

Computing

We will learn how to edit images for a purpose. Our discussions will involve thinking about why people need to edit images and what edited images can be used for across a range of media.

Music

As musicians, we will listen and appraise a rap about bullying before considering what elements would be needed to write and compose our own song or rap.

Science

As scientists we will study habitats and how animals adapt based on where they are living. This will include classifying animals and their traits and studying environments around the world.

Key Words: habitat, group, classify, environment, vertebrate, invertebrate.