

Religious Education

This half term will be continuing our Catholic Social Teach learning with a focus on the Big Question: Who is my neighbour. We will also be learning about Advent and considering how the Old Testament helps us to understand Advent.

The key scriptures we will study are:

Matthew 1: 1 – 16 – The family ancestors of Jesus
1 Samuel 16: 1 – 13
Isaiah 7:14 – 15
Isaiah 11:1-2
Jeremiah 30: 21 - 22

We will also study the Fratelli Tutti

English

This half term we will be reading:

Bill's New Frock by Anne Fine

We will be writing a character description and a 3rd person alternative ending.

We will also use a film text driver - The Dragon Slayer - to write a 1st person narrative from an alternative point of view



Maths



This half term we will be focussing on using our times tables knowledge to solve multiplication and division problems.

We will be developing our understanding of fractions, geometry and the application of number, place and value knowledge for solving problems in the context of measure.

Science

This half term we will be focusing on Living Things and their Habitats.

We will be grouping and classifying animals by their characteristics and considering what different animals need from their habitats in order to thrive. We will look at how the rainforests have changed overtime and what impact this has had on the animals who live there.

Our 'significant scientist' study will look at the work and influence of Wangari Maathai.



Physical Education

The focus of our PE lessons this half term is:

Indoor: Archery

Outdoor: Basketball - We will be learning to throw, catch, work as a team and follow the rules of the game.

Please make sure that children have the correct clothing and footwear for these lessons.



Humanities

This half term we will be learning all about Exploring Europe with a focus on Rome and London.

We will be comparing the human and physical features of these cities and how these impact life and tourism.

We will also investigate the range of human and physical features of other regions of Italy.

We will be using maps at a range of scales (both printed and digital) to support our learning.



Creative Arts

Our Music focus for this half term is Adapting and Transposing Motifs. This unit is set in a Romans context.

In Art we will be looking at the work of John Muafangejo, in particular his work on elephants. We will create our own elephant sculptures made from recycled materials.



PSHE

Following the Life to the Full and SCARF curriculums, we will be focusing on the module called Rights of the child and the United Nations charter - understanding the provisional right to develop (education and play).



How you can help at home....



Reading at least 3 times a week with your child – allowing them to become fluent and confident readers is key! Please remember to log reading on the Boom app.

Maths –Please practise times tables to 12 x 12 at least 3 times a week. This can be verbal practise (short times tables practise when walking, dancing or driving is great!).

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