

Religious Education

This half term will be continuing our Catholic Social Teach learning with a focus on the Big Question: Who are the marginalised and how can they be included? We will also be learning about Advent and how John the Baptist helps us to prepare for Advent by repenting, changing and forgiving.



The key scriptures we will study are:

Luke 1: 5-25 & 57- 80

Luke 3: 1-18

Mark 1: 1- 8

English

This half term we will be reading:

Using creative writing, we will be writing an entertaining narrative and a non-chronological report about South America.



Maths

This half term we will be will look at fractions focussing on equivalent fractions, adding and subtracting fractions with the same denominator and converting between mixed and improper fractions.



We will also identify the properties of 2D and 3D shapes, estimate and compare angles and reflect and translate 2D shapes.

Finally, we will study mass and capacity, reading scales and solving problems.

Science

This half term we will be focussing on the properties and changes of materials.

We will first sort materials according to their properties.

Then we will conduct an investigation testing solubility and finally the children will explore how to separate materials by sieving and filtering.



Physical Education

The focus of our PE lessons this half term is:

When outdoors we will be playing basketball and netball. The children will use their strength, agility and coordination when defending and will apply a range of tactics and techniques in order to play with consistency.

Indoors we will work on our hand eye coordination with Boccia – a game similar to bowls – and archery.

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



Humanities

This half term we will be learning all about the physical and human geography of South America. We will be finding out the answers to the questions:

What countries are in South America?

What are some of the physical features of Brazil?

What are some of the most important human features of Brazil?

How do the physical and human features of Brazil compare with those of the United Kingdom?



Creative Arts

Our Art focus this half term will be sculpture.

We will take our inspiration from Laurence Vallieres. The children will make 3D sculptures out of newspaper and gum tape.

Our DT focus this half term will be to design and create a flag using a pulley system.



PSHE

Following the Life to the Full and SCARF curriculums, we will be learning about the qualities of friendship and 'valuing differences.' We will also consider the Rights of the child and the United Nations charter.



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!

Spellings – support children to learn spellings and complete sentence and dictionary work.

Maths – continue to learn x tables and support this knowledge using TTRS.

Personal development – Encourage children to become more independent.