

Writing

We will be covering a variety of writing styles and skills including writing a newspaper report and non-chronological report on a created creature.



Reading

We are going to be developing our comprehension and retrieval skills using the book Darwin's Dragons by Lindsay Galvin.

Science

We will be understanding how living things have changed over time and identifying and classifying different characteristics and adaptations that plants and animals have to suit their environment and how this leads to evolution.

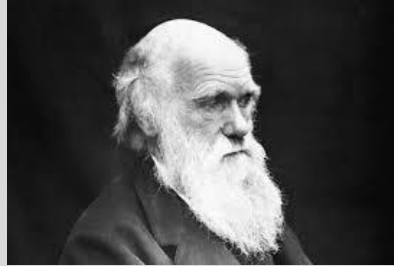
PE

This half-term is our cognitive cog. We will be focusing on static stances and co-ordination around footwork. Outdoor PE will be dodgeball and handball.

Computing

We will be using different a range of Office and Outlook programs on our 1:1 devices.

Our topic this half term is:
Survival of the Fittest



How are living things connected to evolution and inheritance?

Hook

Have you ever wondered who Charles Darwin was? Why were his theories so important yet controversial? We will be discovering this and more...

Express

As a year group, we will be visiting Queen Elizabeth Country Park to observe living things in their habitat. We will then compete to see who is the 'fittest' in an obstacle course!

DT

Using a balanced diet, plan a meal that identifies and includes all of the food groups. We will then be cooking homemade pizza from scratch.

Maths

This half-term we will be continuing our consolidation of fractions in maths. We will then apply this to decimals and percentages, including how to convert between the two, and finding the percentage of a number. The children will also be introduced to algebra.

PSHE

Dreams and Goals

PSHE this half-term will be all around setting realistic dreams and goals. We will be talking about how to identify these and the steps and motivation we need to achieve them.

RE

Children will learn about Peace and its place in Islam.

Music

We will be appraising Benjamin Britten's 'A New Year Carol' in music. They will be listening, improvising and composing within the unit.

Things to explore with your child...

**Our PE days are:
Tuesday & Friday**

Maths

Daily times tables practice is a fundamental part of your child's mathematical development. These skills are used in all aspects of this subject.

Other areas to work on include: telling the time and adding and subtracting 4 digit numbers mentally.

Daily Practice

It is important that your child completes their daily reading and TTRS.

They also have the option to continue with Doodle English, Maths & Spellings. This will help them significantly with their learning throughout the course of the year.

Reading

Reading is an important part of education and development. Reading a variety of text types with your child, including fiction and non-fiction, will support them with their spelling, writing and comprehensions skills.

Remember to ask questions about what has been read to develop understanding of key characters and concepts.

Creative Zone

Research and create a poster about the birds on the Galapagos Islands.

Draw your family tree.

Plan and cook a healthy meal for your family (with adult supervision!).

Make a kindness card for a friend at school.

Dates:

15th January - First Aid workshop

20th January – Test week

24th January - First Aid workshop

31st January - First Aid workshop

3rd February – Chartwells Healthy Eating workshop

7th February – Nurse Visit

10th February – Fire Service Visit

11th /12th /13th February – Field trip to Queen Elizabeth Country Park

14th February – last day of term