

Art
Design and Technology



In art, the children will use different art styles; explore effects with tools; understand and apply chiaroscuro; and create symbolic and expressive drawings. The children will be encouraged to form their own opinions about art, understand the impact of the techniques they use and convey messages through their artwork.

Music

During the Spring Term, the children will have the opportunity to learn to play the guitar during music lessons. They will learn how to hold a guitar, to play simple chords and to play songs as part of a group.



Spanish



In Spanish lessons, the children will learn:

- ♦ Facts about Spanish cities.
- ♦ To give directions in a city.
- ♦ To write a simple description about a city.
- ♦ To buy an item and ask for its price.

Other Information

Home Learning and Spellings

Home Learning will be sent home on a Friday and will be collected in on the following Wednesday. To enable the children to practise their multiplication skills, children have their own log-in details to access Times Tables Rock Stars at home. Spellings are sent home on Friday to be learnt in preparation for a test the following Friday.

Home Reading

Every child has been given a reading book and reading journal in addition to being assigned books to read on-line with the Bug Club. Reading journals need to be returned to school every Monday for monitoring.

PE

PE lessons take place on Thursday. Please ensure that your child has their pumps or trainers in school. Earrings must be removed for PE lessons and long hair tied up.

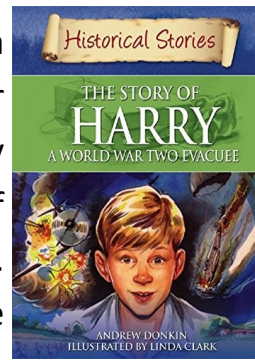
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English

Our learning will be based around the text 'Harry's Story - The Story of a World War Two Evacuee' by Andrew Donkin about a young boy's experience of being evacuated during World War Two. The children will write their own version of the story. They will read a range of instructional texts before writing a set of instructions about how to survive a World War Two air raid. During reading lessons, the children will develop their inference skills and focus on the effect of an author's vocabulary choices.



Mathematics

During the term, the children will:

- ♦ Learn about ratio and proportion.
- ♦ Begin to use algebra to calculate missing values.
- ♦ Calculate percentages and fractions of numbers.
- ♦ Learn equivalences between fractions, decimals and percentages.
- ♦ Revise the use of the four operations for calculations involving decimals and fractions.
- ♦ Find the area, perimeter and volume of shapes.



Science

As part of their learning about light, the children will:

- ♦ Recognise that light appears to travel in straight lines.
- ♦ Explain that we see things because light travels from light sources to our eyes or from light sources to objects and then to our eyes.
- ♦ Investigate why shadows have the same shape as the objects that cast them.

During our topic on humans and animals, the children will learn about:

- ♦ The importance of a healthy lifestyle, including diet and exercise.
- ♦ The heart, lungs and circulatory system.



PE

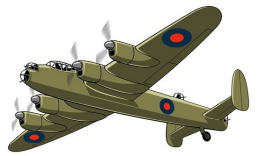
In PE lessons, the children will develop a range of skills to play invasion games, including basketball, netball and football. The children will learn how to play tactically to invade and defend during game play and to work well as part of a team.



History

During this term, the children will be learning about World War Two. They will:

- ♦ Compare how modern-day Germany is ruled compared to how Germany was ruled prior to World War Two.
- ♦ Explore Hitler's rise to power.
- ♦ Understand how World War Two began.
- ♦ Explore how civilians' lives changed during World War Two.
- ♦ Understand the impact that World War Two had on the West Midlands region.
- ♦ Explore what major victories led to Britain winning the war.



Geography

In geography this term, the children will learn about sustainability. They will consider what plastic is and its uses. The children will learn about the problems associated with plastic waste. They will investigate ways to reduce plastic waste in our school and conduct fieldwork before recording, presenting and evaluating the collected data.



Personal, Social, Religious and Emotional Development



In Religious Education, the children will be exploring the questions 'Creation and science: conflicting or complementary?' and 'What do Christians believe Jesus did to 'save' people?'

In PSHE, the children will be exploring health and wellbeing and why it is important. They will also learn how their body changes as they go through puberty.

Computing

Computing lessons during the Spring Term will be focused on web page creation for a chosen purpose. The children will:

- ♦ Identify what makes a good web page.
- ♦ Design and evaluate their own website using Google Sites.
- ♦ Pay specific attention to copyright and fair use of media, the aesthetics of the site and navigation paths.

