

English

Texts: A Small Dragon by Brian Patten
Arthur and the Golden Rope by Joe Todd Stanton
The King Who Banned the Dark by Emily Haworth-Booth

Through the Essential Writing scheme and these texts we will explore free verse poetry and write our own poem inspired by Brian Patten's work. We will then explore the features of a graphic novel and learn how to write direct speech, before our own graphic novel. Finally, we will consider persuasive speeches considering how vocabulary can create a stronger impression.

We will send home spelling rules every week. Please make sure the children practise these to help them become strong spellers.

Science

Focus: Digestion and food

- Label and describe the function of organs found in the digestive system.
- Describe the functions of the four different types of adult teeth and know that good dental care involves brushing their teeth twice a day with toothpaste and a soft toothbrush.
- Produce a food chain that begins with a plant and has arrows that move up the food chain.
- Define a producer, predator and prey and identify examples in food chains.
- Select which variables need to be changed, measured and controlled in an experiment.
- Recall that scientific research needs repeated results before being used in society.

PSHE

Focus: What Am I Feeling?

- Children will learn to understand the difference between feelings and actions, how to manage them and what they can do to help themselves stay emotionally healthy.

Maths

Place Value:

- Represent and partition numbers up to 10,000.
- Compare and order numbers to 10,000.
- Roman numerals.
- Round to the nearest 10, 100 or 1,000.

Operations (Addition and Subtraction):

- Add and subtract up to two 4-digit numbers (with and without exchange).
- make choices about which method is most appropriate for a given calculation.
- explore the inverse relationship between addition and subtraction.



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Art

Focus: Painting and mixed media: Light and dark

- Describe the difference between a tint and a shade.
- Mix tints and shades by adding black or white paint.
- Produce a clear sketch that reflects the arrangement of their objects.
- Create a painting demonstrating how colour can show light and dark. to show three dimensions.

Spanish

Focus: Numbers and writing the date.

Mastering numbers to 31 and months of the year, children learn to say the date and find out about some Mexican birthday traditions.

RE

Focus: Covenant and Creation

Beginning with the story of Abraham and ending with contemporary figures such as Saint Oscar Romero and Saint Therese of Lisieux, children are invited to understand how lives lived in faith, love and hope can bring a sense of deep relationship with self, others and God. To understand why Abraham – a person from the Bronze Age – is significant today, we begin to consider how scripture is interpreted by considering them in their contextual history and literary form.

Geography

Focus: What are rivers and how are they used?

- Identify water stores and processes in the water cycle.
- Describe the courses of a river and name its physical features of a river.
- List some of the problems around rivers.
- Describe human and physical features around a river and different ways a river is used

Computing

Focus: Coding and touch typing

Computing will be done at the Oval

Music

Focus: Singing – Loops and layers

Children will develop vocal technique, confidence and control by singing in rounds and performing musical loops.

PE

Focus: Handball (School) and Cricket (The Oval)

*Reminder: PE kits must be worn on **Thursdays**.*