

Literacy

Our literacy studies will focus mainly around Michael Morpurgo's wonderful text called War Horse. This links nicely into our history and geography studies on World Wars. Alongside daily literacy lessons, the children will also have separate 'focus' lessons on: grammar, spelling and handwriting.

Physical Education

P.E. lessons will take place on Monday and Tuesday afternoons. On Monday the children will have a specialist teacher to teach them football. On Tuesday afternoons Mr Gundry will take the class for TAG rugby (non-contact) sessions. There is a TAG rugby tournament just around the corner and we hope to put in a good performance. If any parents or cares are keen to come along and help out we would be most grateful.

Religious Education

The title of our first unit of work is: Beliefs and Questions. This unit will challenge the children to: consider what their own beliefs are (whether linked to current religions or not), respect the choices and beliefs of others and to pose difficult questions about the concept of deity and the value of religious practice in our modern world. We will where possible make links to existing religions (in particular Christianity).

Maths

This term we will cover the following: place value and written addition, decimals and written addition, subtraction, 2D shape and mental multiplication, fractions, measures, 3D shape, division and mental and written calculation. Children will undergo hot and cold tasks at the beginning and end of each unit of work to assess their prior knowledge and progress. Our aim is to include at least one lesson a week that allows the children to use and apply their knowledge.

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Computing

The title of our computing unit this term is: Computational Thinking. Computational thinking is a way of solving problems, designing systems and understanding human behaviour that draws on concepts that are fundamental to computer science. The children will look at, design and test algorithms, whilst ensuring that a computer can process them.

Science

We will be studying forces this term in science. Firstly we will look at friction in our everyday lives, we will engage with different pushes and pulls (inc. a tug of war!), look into magnetism, air resistance and gravity. To keep up to date with what we have been doing, please take a look at the new science display board at the bottom of the stairs outside Badger class.

History

In our history studies we will be learning about the World Wars. Initially we will try to understand the reasons for the outbreak of WW2 and which leaders were involved. Our studies will also include: cooking WW2 style food, examining WW2 artefacts, looking at the role women played during the war and much, much more. If you have any artefacts or stories you wish to share with us, please let us know. We are hoping to visit The Tank Museum also.

Art

Pablo Picasso is the subject of our art studies this term. We will learn about him as a person, consider the influences that effected the varying styles of his career and attempt to recreate examples of his work before creating our own personal pieces in one of the styles he mastered (i.e. the blue period, rose period, African mask period, the cubism period...) The children will keep sketch books to demonstrate their learning journey.

PSHE

Our focus this term is on 'Getting on and falling out'. Now the children are at the top of the school, they will hopefully begin to develop mediation skills and techniques to help them criticise in an appropriate and useful manner, and to accept criticism as a tool to develop themselves and their work in future. In class we will display a 'sign up sheet' style poster, whereby the children can jot down examples of when they have worked well in tricky group circumstances.

Geography

Our geography studies will be very much linked to our history studies this term. We will be studying the differences between political maps before and after WW2. We will be locating and identifying the countries involved in WW2 and exploring the breakup of the Middle Eastern area.

