

English

Reading and writing Poetry about animals, Non-chronological Reports, involving magical creatures, Balanced Arguments- for and against topical issues and Letter writing related to educational visits are this terms themes.

Mathematics

Problem solving, involving long/short multiplication and division, will be the main arithmetic strategies this term. Children will learn how to read and interpret information in tables, including timetables. Strategies to identify multiples, factors, prime numbers and prime factors will be explored.

Science

In Science we are exploring 'Plants' during the first half term, followed by 'Animals' (including humans) during the second half term. We will be learning about photosynthesis, the transportation of water, life cycles of plants and humans, teeth, digestion and the function of human organs.

Physical Education

We will continue swimming once a week during the Summer Term. Mr Goodchild, our P.E specialist, will concentrate on striking and fielding games (rounders, tennis and cricket) plus athletics.

Art and Design

The children will be learning about India Flint, creating insect paper mosaics using the work of artist Louis Bourgeois, making textured clay tiles based on wildlife, as well as newspaper bird models inspired by Constantin Brancusi.

Music

The children have a weekly lesson with a music specialist as part of their wider opportunities. This term the children will be learning to play a range of percussion instruments.

Shark Class

Summer Term 2016

Our topic this term is '**Life is a wonderful thing**'. We will be learning about both plants and humans. The children will continue to guide where we take our learning depending upon the questions they wish to be answered.

Computing

The children will have an ICT lesson every Thursday, focusing on specific skills as well as using ICT across the curriculum. This term we will be using Scratch to develop coding skills.

History

We will study British history extending pupils' chronological knowledge to 2016. One theme will be the changing power of monarchs using life studies such as Victoria and Queen Elizabeth II.

French

Topics this term include the local environment (buildings, family and friends) and French Café (food and drink).

Religious Education

This term we will be focusing on Christianity and we will consider why the Bible is so important for Christians today.

Protective behaviours

This term we will continue to look at the importance of feeling safe and will be using a range of stories to act as a stimulus to discuss how to deal with situations where we do not feel safe.

How you can help at home

- . Regular reading and talking about the books they bring home to read.
- . Practising mental recall of timetables and related division facts.
- . Use Education City and Sumdog at home.
- . Children are given spellings to learn on a weekly basis as well as two pieces of homework.