

Class: Beech
Spring Term:1

Literacy

Key Text: Rooftoppers by Katherine Rundell

Purpose for writing: Sentence opener focus—a finding tale

Grammar: This term we will be focusing on our sentence openings. We will be looking at creating cohesion within our writing, both in sentences and between sentences. We will be focusing on our creative flair. In our grammar lessons we will be recapping our work on direct speech punctuation as well as looking at relative clauses.

Word Reading / Comprehension: As part of our reading this term, we will be focusing on summarizing. Children will be given techniques on how to answer retrieval questions from a reading comprehension exercise. We will be continually practicing our VIPER skills too!

History

Focus: The Greeks

In history this term we are going to be learning all about Ancient Greece. We will start the unit looking at who the Ancient Greeks were, before looking at what the Greeks believed in (Greek Gods). Moving on, we will look at how the Olympics started before learning about Greek Mythology. Finally we will explore how the Ancient Greeks change the way we think about the world and how they informed our knowledge of the world.

I'm sure the children will fully embrace this fascinating topic!

Art

Focus: Modelling and textiles

In art this term we will be looking at how we can make different models. We will look at different techniques and scales to make our own Greek replica statues.

Computing

Focus—word processing—we are co-authors

We will begin our computer lessons by looking at why people use word processing. We will practice our typing skills as well as exploring the different functions of word processing.

Quest: Ancient Greece

In both Spring Terms, our Question topic will be Ancient Greece. There is so much to learn on this subject area and we will be linking our learning in history to other subject areas. We have an exciting "hook" activity planned!!

Music

Focus: The way you make me feel

In this unit of work, the learning is focused around the song You make me feel my love. The children will be learning the lyrics and adding their own musical interpretation using different instruments.

PE

Focus: Social Skills

In Real PE this term we will be focusing on our social skills. We will be looking about how we collaborate and applying that to different skills to improve our teamwork. We will also be completing our first Real Dance unit.

PHSE

Focus: Diverse Britain

In this unit the children will be looking at our country and celebrating its diversity. We will be looking at what makes Britain unique.

Maths

Year 4 and 5: Multiplication and division

In this unit, children will be continuing to explore the relationship between multiplication and division. They will be exploring different ways of understanding multiplication, including the formal written method. We will be focusing on the applying our knowledge of factors to aid our division before moving on to the formal written method of short division.

Year 5 —Fractions, decimals and percentages

For the bulk of this term, Yr 5s will be focusing on fractions—including adding, subtracting, equivalent fractions, before looking at the relationship between decimals and percentages.

Year 4—Area, fractions and decimals

We will use our knowledge of multiplication to apply this to calculating area. After completing our unit on area, we will move on to learning about fractions and decimals

Science

Physics: Electrically

In this unit of work children will learn all about electrical circuits. We will be experimenting with conductors and insulators, and looking at the science behind electricity. The children will be creating their own circuits before learning all about switches.

Working Scientifically: Children will be experimenting with both circuits, switches, conductors and insulators.

RE

Focus: What does it mean if God is Holy and Loving? In this unit, children will begin by exploring what it means to be Holy. We will be looking at what it means to be loving and how Christians spread their love.

French

Focus: That's tasty

In this unit the children will learn how all about different foods in French. We will be learning how to say "I like.....", "I don't like.....", "I would like.....".

