

Autumn Term 1 Overview—Beech Class—2023/24

Literacy

Key Text: The Legend of Podkin One Ear
Purpose for writing: Character Description

We will begin our literacy this term by ensuring we are using correct sentence structures. We will then build in complexity to improve our sentence writing. Our literacy unit will focus on how to create a powerful character description. We will read and discover the tale of Podkin One Ear and delve in to the different characters in order to create our own.

We will also be using the story in our guided reading sessions to deepen our understanding and deepen our comprehension skills

Computing

Focus: Coding

This term in computing we will look at continuing to progress our coding skills. We will base our learning around Purple Mash and consolidate and extend our understanding of how computers use codes to function.

Maths

Year 4 Place Value: addition and subtraction

We will begin our learning this term with focusing on place value. This topic will underpin all our learning this year. We will look at increasingly larger numbers, portioning, order and comparing them. We will then learn about rounding numbers. We will look at how we round all numbers and why it is useful to do so. Finally, we will look into Roman numerals and negative numbers before moving onto the next topic, addition and subtraction.

Year 5 Place value/Addition and subtraction

Year 5s will also begin their maths learning by extending their understanding of place value. They will explore place value of numbers of up to 1 million, portioning them and ordering and comparing them. They will consolidate their understanding of Roman numerals, before extending their learning on rounding of numbers up to 1million. Year 5s will then move on to the next topic of addition and subtraction.

Quest:

In this quest, we will be learning all about farming.

History/Geography

Focus: History:
Changes in Britain from the Stone Age to the Iron Age- hill forts and farming

In history this term we will be learning about the transition from the Stone Age to the Iron Age. We will look at developments in human civilization and in particular, focus on how farming evolved during this period.

Science

Focus: Living things and their habitats

Working Scientifically:

In science this term we will be looking into classifying both plants and animals. We will look at how animals have adapted to their living environment and how any changes in these environments can be detrimental to survival.

Music

Focus: Mamma Mia

This term in music, we will be basing our learning a famous Abba song— Mamma Mia. We will be delving into the construction of the song, learning the lyrics and using musical instruments to play along.

PE

Focus: Personal Skills/hockey

In REAL PE this term, we will be focusing on our personal skills. These include listening, following instructions and showing respect. We will also be implementing these skills as we learning the basics of hockey.

RE

Yr4—What is it like to be a Sikh living in Britain?
Yr5— What does it mean for a Jewish person to follow God?

This term, Yr4s will be focusing on the Sikh religion whilst Yr5s will be learning all about the Jewish religion.

Art /DT

Focus- Art—Texture— Plants and Flowers

In art this term, we will be focusing on drawing plants and flowers and adding texture to them using different materials.

PHSE/RSE

Focus: Being me in my world

In PSHE this term we will focus on looking at the year ahead and looking at rights and responsibilities.

Foreign Languages

Focus: Introducing myself

In French this term, we will be looking at how to introduce yourself to someone else by giving them basic information about yourself.