



Petersfield Church of England School

Curriculum Information

Pine Class, Spring Term 2018

English

In English this term, we will be looking at mystery stories, the children will learn text type features and the focused skills needed to create a story with intrigue and suspense. We will also be learning how to write a persuasive leaflet encouraging people to visit a UK city. For our poetry unit, we will study Classic Poems by famous poets and use these as an inspiration to write our own versions.

Religious Education

In RE, we will be thinking about whether Easter is a festival of new life or sacrifice. We will explore the Christian view of the ultimate sacrifice of Jesus in his death and then subsequent resurrection and understand the importance of Easter to members of the Christian faith.

Science

In science, we will be investigating 'Sound'. We will learn how vibrations cause sounds and how sounds travel, as well as how sounds can change pitch and loudness. The children will learn about how sounds are made and carry out demonstrations of vibrations. We will also be learning about 'Animals, including humans'; this unit of work will teach the children about the importance of the right type and amount of nutrition as well as the functions of skeletons and muscles.

Mathematics

In maths this term, we will focus on multiplication, division and fractions. We will use a range of practical resources to help support the children's learning of these key skills. The children will learn topics in-depth through a range of fluency, problem-solving and reasoning activities. The children will learn and be tested weekly on multiplication.

Computing

In computing this term, we will be building on our previous work with programming Scratch. The children will learn how to write an interactive quiz using Scratch software. While specific skills in Scratch are taught, the unit aims to teach the children the wider programming skills of solving problems, testing, debugging, improving and evaluating.

Physical Education

In PE, the children will be learning how to play net/wall games. These are activities in which players send an object towards a court or target area that an opponent is defending. The aim is to cause the object to land in the target area while making it difficult for the opponent to return the object. By playing these games, the children will learn the key skills and tactics in games such as tennis, volleyball, squash and badminton.

Art/D&T

Our art focus will be to investigate patterns in textiles from different times and cultures. We will use these as a starting point for developing our own ideas. The children will learn stencilling and print-making techniques and explore ways of combining and organising shapes, colours and patterns to make a decorative textile piece.

Geography

This term our topic is 'The United Kingdom', we will take a look at the geography of the UK – from the physical features of mountains, rivers and seas to the manmade administrative regions and counties. The children will find out how the UK has changed over time, looking at how London grew and how the population of the UK as a whole has changed throughout the course of history.

Spanish

This term Mrs Clover will continue to teach the children Spanish; they will be learning Spanish songs as well as the correct pronunciation of basic phrases and numbers.

PSHE

This term our focus is on developing the children's self-esteem and the ability to value their individuality by recognising their positive traits and achievements. As they begin to recognise their own qualities, they can begin to set goals for personal development and persevere to achieve them.

Music

In music this term, the origins of pitch notations are introduced as the children make hand signals and compose three-note melodies. They will learn basic dance steps and prepare a performance of a Tudor dance.