

How things begin.

English

Our English this half term will be based around the books of Roald Dahl – specifically *George's Marvellous Medicine*, *Fantastic Mr. Fox* and *The Twits*.

We will be looking at Dahl's use of language and applying it to our own understanding of how a sentence is put together.

Geography – Settlements and Land Use

In geography, we will begin by looking at the four main types of settlement: Hamlets, villages, towns and cities. We will be finding out the differences between them and why some settlements become bigger than others.

Computing

This half term, we will be focusing on some core computing skills such as word processing and making slides to allow us to use the Chromebooks in a cross-curricular way. Using the Purple Mash Computing scheme, we will also look at making quizzes.

Personal, Social and Health Education

Our umbrella topic for this half term is *'Being Me in my World'*. Within it, we will work on a better understanding of having a growth mindset and applying it to the challenges faced by joining a new year group and a new phase of education. We will also be looking at our place within the school and within the class.

Science

We will be looking at the topic of animals, including humans. In this unit, we focus on the skeleton and how the body moves. We will learn about the different bones of the body, and how the skeletons both supports and protects the body.

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Religious Education

We will spend several weeks establishing the Christian community of our classroom by designing our class cross and writing daily prayers. For the rest of the half term, we will try and understand what the *big story* of the Bible is. What's it for and what does it teach Christians about who they are and how they should live.

History – The Stone Age to the Iron Age

For this half term's history, we will begin by looking at Stonehenge with a week-long project during history week. We will then move on to beginning to understand how historians know so much about people who lived more than 5000 years ago. We will look at the difference between primary and secondary sources and look at the stone age settlement of Skara Brae.

Maths

The overall focus this half term is on Number. We will start with recapping the previous year's learning before starting the Year 3 Place Value unit. Once complete, the next units will be on addition and subtraction. We will also continue to learn times tables, moving on to 3, 4 and 8.

Physical Education

Our indoor PE unit this half term is fitness. We will conduct a series of challenges to test, monitor and record different components of fitness such as speed, stamina, strength, coordination, balance and agility. Our indoor unit is Football. We will develop passing and control skills.

Music

We will begin the half term by studying the musical children that our classes are named after, and what they have achieved. We will then move on to exploring rhythm through words and poetry, before creating our own rhythmic compositions.

Art/Design and Technology

For this half term, we will explore a variety of media, including watercolours, pencil, crayons and oil pastels. We will investigate their uses and extend our knowledge of various techniques. We will also look at artists who have used these techniques such as Seurat, Corot and Monet.