

Geography:

We will be learning about the destructive powers of nature, from volcanos and earthquakes to tsunamis and tornadoes. Through discussion and practical tasks, we will learn how and why these natural phenomena occur and the ways in which they affect people and the environment.

Science:

Our first topic this term will be forces and magnets, involving lots of practical investigations to explore the impact of forces on objects. Later in the term we will move on to learning about animals, including humans. This will involve developing the understanding that all animals need nutrition which must be gained through food what they eat as they cannot make their own food as well as exploring how some animals, including humans have skeletons and muscles for support, protection and movement.

RE: Throughout this term, our topic is 'Religious Journeys.' We will be learning about pilgrimages from different religions. Thinking about where they go and why it is an important journey for them to take. We will also be thinking about non-religious pilgrimages and how these can become traditions within families.

Art/DT

This term our Art focus is Animation through drawing. We will be building skills of drawing and using materials to give our creations articulation. We will then be planning short narratives that we can record and share. Using our imaginations, we will be making our designs visually engaging. In DT we will be constructing a lighthouse or a wind turbine, combining our learning in Science with this subject to create a purposeful moving structure.

PSHE: We will have two main topics in PSHE; money and aspirations. Beginning with money, we will be learning where money comes from, where it goes and how it is accessed. We will look at budgeting to understand the importance of saving, knowing the difference between debit and credit, making safe purchases online, what a mortgage is and the positives and negatives of purchases on credit so that the children may make more informed decisions around money as they grow.

English: This term we will be using lots of the grammar and punctuation that we have covered across the year and applying this knowledge to more extended writing. We will be writing to inform, persuade and entertain this term. This will include, planning out sections, writing in paragraphs, using subheadings effectively and the inclusion of imperative verbs and rhetorical questions. Within our writing we will be trying to use more ambitious word choices to add detail. In terms of punctuation, we will be using inverted commas to punctuate direct speech, using commas after fronted adverbials and subordinate clauses, using apostrophes to mark possession and contraction and using bullet points. Once constructed, we will be practising reading aloud our own writing to a group using the correct intonation, tone and volume to ensure that meaning is conveyed clearly. This term, please remember to read as much as possible to help us on our class reading journey and achieve our next reading reward.

Maths This term we will be continuing our focus on a variety of Maths topics. These include a continued focus on the 4 main operations: addition, subtraction, division and multiplication. We will then be extending our learning this term to include work on mass, capacity, fractions, decimals and statistics. In Owls we also have a daily focus on mental maths, with regular multiplication practise, focussing on a mixture of times tables. How many times tables will you remember by the end of the year?

PE:

This term we are hoping for warmer weather to take our PE outside and practise our athletics skills, speed and control in preparation for our summer sports day at the end of Term 5! We will also be developing our skills in the games of rounders, cricket and dodgeball. Please make sure that your PE kit is in school every day.

ICT

In ICT we will be using our Purple Mash program to develop our touch-typing skills as well as learning about presentations which can be created in Microsoft PowerPoint. We will learn about the different ways of presenting information and create our own.

History:

In History this term we will be learning about scientists and activists, such as Mary Anning and Greta Thunberg and how they have changed the way that some people think. We will explore the importance of their work and the role that politics plays in our changing environment.

Music

We are lucky enough to continue to have our music lessons with Mr. Gernett, including learning to use instruments and learning songs for our end of year performance in which Owls will be singing.

French: This term we are covering two topics in French. Linking to our maths lessons; we will be learning to tell the time in French, creating timetables of our day at school as well as reading French timetables to see what's on TV. We will also be developing our ability to say what lessons we enjoy in French.

Owls Class: Extreme Planet