



St. Andrew's Primary

Learning Overview

Miss Beekman Primary 5



Literacy	Maths
Active Literacy approach to Spelling and Reading: Spelling - use of phonological awareness, diacritical marking and other strategies to improve our spelling. Novel Studies - to develop the 6 Comprehension Strategies. The whole class are reading "Kaspar, Prince of Cats" as a modelling block for the strategies. During a modelling block, novels do not go home.	Heinemann Maths Programme is main resource. This term we will be covering the following topics: *Place Value – working with 6 and 7 digit numbers *Addition and Subtraction *Time *Money *Measure We are also using 'Number Talks' Programme to develop and improve our mental agility.
Health & Well Being including PE	Religious Education
Miss Divers will be covering Health with the class this term, looking at Safe Food Preparation and Healthy Eating. Mr Cairns and myself will be covering P.E. following the Better Movers and Thinkers programme, covering a range of skills and activities.	We will be following This Is Our Faith Programme covering the following topics: *Mary and why she is worshipped; the Holy Rosary and the life of Mary and Jesus; the story of Lourdes *The Bible as the Word of God, the messages contained within it and the faith of Saints *November – Holy Souls and Advent/Christmas
Science	Social Subjects
Miss Divers will carry out Science Investigation linked to the Health topic. The children will be looking at how mould can form on food such as bread, cheese and fruit. This I'm sure will get some interesting results and a few strange faces being pulled when they see the mould!	Our topic this term is The Titanic, which ties in with our Novel Study, which is about the Titanic. The children will learn a little about the era of the shipbuilding industry when the Titanic was built. They will learn the chain of events that led to the sinking of the Titanic and why it was deemed to be unsinkable.
Technology	Music
The class will continue to develop ICT skills using computer suite and ipads in class to enhance their learning. Skills being covered this term are: *Text and Multimedia *Internet Safety *Electronic Communication *Research skills to find and evaluate information	Miss Divers will teach the class music skills through ABC Music programme which teaches pitch, rhythm and other musical sounds and sequences.
Drama	Art
Drama will be linked to the Titanic topic where the children will have an opportunity to develop and use a variety of drama conventions to communicate thoughts and ideas through mime, movement and expression, role play, group performances and individual performances to show what life was like on the ship before and after the disaster.	The children will continue to develop their art skills, creating a variety of images linked to the Titanic, R.E. topics as well as Halloween, Guy Fawkes and Christmas themed activities. They will experience using a range of materials such as collage, paint, charcoal, pencil drawings to develop line, tone, colour and perspective in their compositions
Spanish P5-7	Homework Projects
The class will revise and further develop their conversational skills in the following topics: *Greetings and Introductions *Numbers *Colours *Family and Pets	Homework is given out on a Monday and to be returned on a Friday. Please remember to sign and return Homework Contract if you haven't already done so. No Homework projects have been assigned yet this term but will inform you if this changes.

Please find brief details of what your child will be covering in class this term. Take time to ask them about their learning.

We know children attain better when a parent or carer at home discusses their learning with them. Like you, we want all our children attaining and achieving to their maximum potential.