

The main focus for learning this term will be:

Geography Focus - 'Island Life'

Literacy

- Reading - group focus on fiction. Children will continue to develop their questioning skills, using evidence from class texts to support their thinking. They will learn more about language features such as rhythm and onomatopoeia. Children will also begin to explore features of both playscripts and poems. Children will continue to visit the library regularly to promote reading for enjoyment and discuss their reading likes/dislikes.
- Spelling/phonics - introduction of new patterns. Common words.
- Writing - will link to class topics/themes. Children will create their own poems and short playscripts to link with Reading work. They will write letters as part of functional writing and create imaginative stories.
- Handwriting - introducing sets of joins.
- Listening and Talking - personal talks (more information to follow).
- French - numbers to 31. Snacks.

Numeracy/Maths

- Multiplication - revising facts for x 2, 5 and 10. Exploring facts for x 3 and 4.
- Division - revising sharing/grouping. Using skip counting.
- Continuing to develop mental strategies for addition/subtraction.
- Symmetry.
- Measure - estimating and comparing length, weight and capacity.

Health and Wellbeing

- Mental health and wellbeing - exploring emotions.
- PE - children will be continuing to explore basketball skills in sessions with Miss McLaughlin and athletics skills (running, jumping and throwing) in sessions with Ms McLuckie.

Interdisciplinary Learning

Geography focus - 'Island Life'

- Social Studies skills covered - living things and their habitats. Mapping. Wants and needs.
- Maths skills covered - position and movement. Making journeys. Using grid references. Compass points.
- Technologies skills covered (to link with Digital Learning Week) - using the green screen. Recording short clips.

Discrete subjects

- Music - creating a soundtrack for a story.
- Drama - negotiating roles. Working with others. Using improvisation and script. Voice/facial expressions.
- Science - 'Water'. 'Space'. 'Forces'.
- RME - 'The Local Church'.
- Art - creating collages. Responding to the work of artists.
- Technologies - exploring digital technologies.

Opportunities for personal achievement and involvement in the ethos and life of the school

- 'Pumphie Pals' - house group meetings.
- Junior Leadership Teams.

Other information

- PE days this term are a Tuesday and Friday.
- ERIC time is Tuesday - children are welcome to bring a book of their choice to read in class.
- Library day is Monday.