



English

As narrative writers we will use our imaginations to create alternative versions or sequels to our novel *The Magic Finger* by Roald Dahl. We will also develop our non-fiction writing of instructions.

Mathematics

As mathematicians we will continue to develop our understanding of place value, using it to order numbers, identify patterns and number sequences. In number work, we will focus on addition and subtraction and learning facts by heart. We will also work on measure, money and telling the time.

Science - What is our school made of?

As scientists we will identify and compare the suitability of everyday materials, including wood, metal, plastic, glass, rock, brick, paper and cardboard for particular uses. We will find out the effect that squashing, bending, stretching, heating and cooling can have on some materials.

PE

In outdoor PE we will be learning playground games that we can practise independently during playtime and after school. Indoors we will be developing our gymnastic skills.

RE

During our RE work we will be exploring how Christians and Jews give thanks to God for the natural world. We will learn about the practices and meanings behind Harvest celebrations and Sukkot.

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Our topic will be: Where would I like to live in Havercroft?

Geography

As geographers we will use maps to learn about the constituent countries of the UK and their capital cities. We will use simple fieldwork and observational skills to study the geography of our school and its grounds and the key human and physical features of our village.

Music

As musicians, we will learn to sing songs and play instruments with long and short sounds. We will learn to distinguish long and short sounds played by different instruments in a piece of music. Also, we will learn Harvest songs for a performance.

Art/Design Technology

As artists we will be taking inspiration from the work of impressionist artists and creating multi-media pictures of autumn trees. To link with our geography work, we will be making closely observed pencil sketches of the school buildings. In connection with our science work, we will be mixing shades of coloured paint to create warm and cool images.

Computing

During our computing work we will be developing our word processing skills.

Class Reading

This half term we will be reading *The Magic Finger* and other novels by Roald Dahl as part of his 100th birthday celebrations.

PSHCE

During our PSHCE work we will be focusing on belonging to a group. We will learn about feeling safe and how to cope with feeling scared and upset. We will begin to understand how we can be both similar and different to other people.

British Values

We will vote for who represents us on the school council. We will help develop school policies including those on behaviour and the aims of our school.

Enrichment

This half term we will be exploring our village on our geography field trip. This will take place on one fine afternoon during w/c 19th September. Permission slips will be sent out shortly. We are also hoping to take part in the Harvest Festival celebrations at Whin View Court Residential Care Home.

Important Information

This half term Year 2 children will have outdoor PE lessons each Friday and an indoor lesson on Wednesdays. Please could you ensure that a suitable kit is provided on these days.