

What's happening in the ARB?

Our Planet

RE

Children in the ARB will be looking at the creation story and then looking at the Easter story later in the Term.

PE

For the first half of this term we will focus on Dance and Gymnastics developing our flexibility, strength, technique, control and balance.

For the second half of this term we will focus on Hockey and developing our dribbling skills and how to pass with control.

Geography

In Geography, we will be developing our knowledge of the world and how different areas can be identified. We will continue to improve our understanding of maps, globes and compasses, and use grid references to find things on a map.

Music

In music, we are going to be focussing on making music and sounds to represent aspects of our planet and things that are happening to our planet. We will also be learning how to compose our own music using self-made symbols to represent a beat.

MFL

In French, we are going to continue to learn our sentence starters and build on our vocabulary to do with Our Planet, including; animals, plants and foods.

Forest Classroom (outdoor learning)

This term we are excited to use the Forest classroom to support our learning. We will be doing this on Tuesday mornings.

Writing

In the ARB, we are linking all of our writing to the theme of 'Our Planet' which we are focussing on in our school. We are practicing our handwriting and making sure that we follow our school's non-negotiables. We will also be developing our skills with punctuation rules such as apostrophe for possession, the present perfect tense and speech marks in direct speech.

Our writing genres will include a mixture of fiction and non-fiction, such as: picture book, non-chronological report and an explanation text.



Reading

In Reading we will be ensuring a text makes sense to the children and working out the meaning of unknown words using the context of the book. These are the books we will be reading together:

The children will read a range of texts and will develop their love and understanding of reading through this.

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We are going to conduct a focussed study on the Industrial Revolution. We will look at how it affected life in our area and what led to this change.

Art

In Art, we will be focussing on improving our art skills. We will be looking at water colour painting and how we can change the look of paintings using different methods.

DT

We will develop our planning skills, using our imagination to devise a new invention that will be used to trap a bug. We will then use our plans to make a bug-trap and evaluate our work using practical testing to see what went well and what could be improved.

Computing

Throughout the term, we will be looking at how algorithms work, how we can program different things to happen and what this means for us when using different devices.

Science

Our topics in science this term are 'All Living Things' and "States of Matter". We will be looking at how we can group living things and use classification tables to help us identify animals and other things. We will also be looking at adaptations of animals and trying to spot where animals might live if they have specific features. We are going to learn about Solids, Liquids and Gases, and how they can change from one to another. We will then use this to become scientists again and perform experiments to identify what happens when land and sea ice melt.

PSHE

We will consider how to be safe by learning about: medicines and drugs; physical, emotional and online safety; confidentiality; and privacy and boundaries.

We will consider how we belong to a community by learning about: how we belong; our environment around us; money; and the emergency services. This will also link to our World of Work.

RSE

Children in the ARB will learn about 'Keeping Safe' and 'Critically thinking about online friendships'.

Maths

Every lesson will start with Fact Recall, the facts we need to know to be able to progress in our understanding of number - doubles, halves, number bonds, times tables facts are just a few. Every day we will practise what we have learnt in our Daily Practise session too, ensuring that we know how to make connections.

The ARB Mathematicians will be focusing on multiplying and dividing 2-digit by 1-digit numbers, using our knowledge of our times tables. We will use lots of equipment and practical activities to develop and deepen our understanding.

We will then move on to focus on money and how to convert pounds into pence and pence into pounds before moving onto adding and subtracting money using our previous knowledge of adding and subtracting to develop our understanding.

We will then be focusing on length and perimeter before moving onto fractions. The children's knowledge will be deeply embedded with opportunity for children to reason and problem solve throughout all the topics.

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