

ENGLISH

Our class text for this half term is *The Train to Impossible Places* by P G Bell. The story is an adventure about a train appearing in the middle of the night in the character, Suzie's, house. Suzie's world is turned upside down when she boards the train to deliver a package. Children will be using this text, alongside related texts, to further develop their comprehension skills, particularly when answering assessment style questions. We will be writing our own adventure story based on the events in the book. This will be followed by a persuasive job advert for a postmaster for the train.

PSHE

Relationships

We will be continuing to use Jigsaw to teach PSHE. This half term, children will be exploring friendships and how to deal with their feelings.

We will discuss strategies to help children cope with different emotions.



ART

Recycled Animal Sculpture

Children will be exploring joining and finishing techniques to be able to design and make a sculpture of an animal from recycled materials. As part of their learning, children will be exploring how different paints create different effects as well as suggest their opinions on different pieces of artwork.

MATHS

This half term in Maths, children will be consolidating some of their existing knowledge, particularly their arithmetic skills, and applying this to new concepts.

Children will begin to learn about percentage, including what this means and how to find percentages and decimal percentages of an amount. Once children are confident with this, they will then begin to apply this to reasoning and problem solving.

To consolidate their knowledge of number, children will be rounding decimals to the nearest whole number, ensuring they understand the value of each digit.

In Geometry, they drawing and identifying different types of triangles and their properties.

RE

Five Pillars of Islam

Through discussion and role play, children will learn what the Five Pillars of Islam are and why they are important to Muslims.

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COMPUTING

During computing sessions, children will become artists and create geometric art using shapes and repeated patterns. They will manipulate shapes to create their patterns on a simple art programme.

Geography

Earthquakes and Volcanoes

Children will be learning about the earth's structure, look particularly at the causes and distribution of earthquakes and volcanoes and their effects on landscape and people. They will be introduced to the 'Pacific Ring of Fire', the most active region on earth, and consider why people choose to live on the flanks of volcanoes and in earthquake zones when both can be life-threatening.

MUSIC



4HM will continue their ukelele lessons with Wolverhampton Music School. 4DM will be practising their singing skills as they learn a new song called Stop.

We look forward to inviting you in to see our performances later in the term.

SCIENCE

This half term, we will be looking at electricity and making our own circuits.

Children will learn about the dangers of electricity and how to keep themselves safe. We will also be learning about conductors and insulators and completing scientific investigations using these. Children will learn what switches do in a circuit and use a switch to control a circuit they have made.

INFORMATION

PE day is Tuesday

Please ensure children are in their school PE kit and jewellery is removed.

Reading books

We hear all children read weekly and Accelerated reading books are changed regularly.

Please make sure your child brings their reading book and Reading Record to school every day.