English

This term we will first be focusing on instructional writing.

We shall then focus of persuasive writing, thinking about creating a letter linked to our History topic of the Mayans and their love of the Coco bean and how this links to a modern fair-trade world. Finally, we will look at structured poetry with a study of the Japanese style of writing - Haikus.

Science

We will be learning about **electricity** in Science this term. The children will learn about conductors and isolators and the importance of safety when working with electrical appliances. As part of their scientific working, they will predict and test whether a lamp will work in different circuits and also construct and electrical circuit with a switch.

Art & D&T

The children will develop their skills in **colour mixing**, focussing on using tints and shades to create a 3D effect. They will experiment with composition and applying painting techniques to a personal still life piece.

In the second half of the term, we will be doing D&T. Our focus will be on using our electricity knowledge to design and build a torch.

Computing

The children will be focusing on website design. They will plan and create their own website and evaluate its success.

Maths

We will focus on daily basic skills sessions as well as regular times-table sessions. The areas of maths that children will cover include multiplication and division, length and perimeter, fractions and decimals. Children will use Times Table Rockstars and Century Tech to further develop their understanding.

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MFL

In Spanish, the children will be identifying and say the numbers 13 to 31 and months of the year. Recognise and answer the question What month is it? When is your birthday?

Identify key information on a calendar, ask and answer question about different events of the year.

History

The Mayans. Children will expand their knowledge of world history and develop further understanding of historical timelines. They will be developing their ability to ask valid questions and construct informed responses. They will also recognise that peoples way of life in the past was dictated by their work.

R.E.

This term the children will be learning about what it means to be a Hindu in Britain today as well as learning about salvation and the meaning of Easter for Christians and their beliefs.

Physical Education

In cricket this term, the children will learn to apply basic elements of batting, bowling, fielding, and wicket keeping in a small sided, competitive game. Gymnastics: - In this unit, the children will learn, develop, and apply balance and rotation on the floor, with hand apparatus and partner work through focused skill development, sequence creation, and games.

PSHF

We will be following the Jigsaw PSHE scheme of work. The first unit we look at will be 'Dreams and Goals' and the second unit will be 'Healthy Me'. Both modules will give the children greater understanding of themselves and others around them.

Music

In music, the children will be learning about the origin and features of rock and roll music, pupils learn how to play the Hand Jive and Rock Around the Clock, looking specifically at a walking bass line, before performing a piece as a class.