

Important Information

We will be holding a parent workshop for information around SATs – date TBC

PE days are on Monday & Wednesday



If you still are not signed up for class dojo, please be sure to ask the class teacher for the unique QR code as we do post some useful information on here, including key dates.

Dates for your diary

Monday 6th January
TEACHER TRAINING DAY –
NO SCHOOL

Wednesday 5th February
TRIP – National Memorial Arboretum

Wednesday 12th February
TRIP – Coventry Cathedral

Friday 14th February
TRIP – Herbert Art Gallery &
Transport Museum

17th- 21st February – HALF TERM
NO SCHOOL

15th-19th March – Dol-y-Moch
OR
Dol-y-Moch alternative

7th & 8th April – Parent's evening –
keep an eye out for booking details

10th-11th April – Year 6 heights and
weights check with school nurses

**Friday 11th April – LAST DAY of
Spring Term**

Curriculum Newsletter

Maths

We will begin with looking at decimals which will then be used to help us with some more fractions but this time it will also include decimals and percentages. Children will be using their knowledge of fractions from the autumn term as well as their known multiplication facts to calculate answers involving decimal numbers. Finally, children will then move onto calculating percentages.

They will also be continuing with fluency sessions throughout the term. This will ensure that they have good recall of addition, subtraction, multiplication and division facts. For example, number bonds to 10 and 100 ($34+66=100$) and times tables ($6\times 3=18$). Good arithmetic recall is essential in order to be able to reason and problem solve.

English

In English we will be studying Leon Garfield's retelling of Shakespeare's Macbeth. Throughout this unit, children will have the opportunity to use their story telling and drama skills. They will also be given lots of opportunities to write, sometimes in role, as either Macbeth or Lady Macbeth.

Whilst completing their work on Macbeth the children will continue to develop their spelling, punctuation and grammar skills. The key focuses this term will be using relative clauses, correctly applying speech punctuation, developing their use of figurative language and using modal verbs and adverbs.

In our reading sessions, children will continue to read When the Sky Falls which links to our History topic of World War 2.

Science

Our next science unit will focus on light. The children will build on their learning from year 3 and identify through investigation that that light appears to travel in straight lines and because of this, the objects are seen if they give out light or reflect light into the eye. They will also use the idea that light travels in straight lines to explore and then be able to explain why shadows have the same shape as the objects that cast them.

Wider Curriculum

We will be continuing our learning around World War 2 in History this half term but will be taking a more specific focus on what the impact of the war and in particular the Blitz had on Coventry. We have 3 very exciting trips planned to really secure and enhance the children's learning in this unit. After half term we will move onto Geography where we will cover Settlements. Through this unit we will identify settlements and explore their patterns, including the movement of people and how this impacts these patterns. In art we will complete a series of still life paintings, combined with collage. The children will look at the still life work of Patrick Caulfield and compare it to the cubism work of Pablo Picasso. In DT we will be looking at food and nutrition. The pupils will study and make street food from a different culture. The aim of these sessions is to encourage pupils to think about the foods they eat how their nutritional value. PSHE focuses on Dreams and Goals and gets the children to consider what they wish to achieve and how they might reach their goals. Computing this term will explore websites and web pages, and how they might be able to create their own. Music continues to be delivered by Dave Barrett our PAS teacher who will continue to work with the children on a range of instruments but especially the steel pans.