

Class Fir

Born for such a time as this.

Spring 1 2020

Our topic this half-term will allow the children to explore the world we live in using the following big questions as an exploratory opportunity; why do things change? Are all changes good? What makes me special? How can I change my world?

In Literacy we will be:

- Writing report summary from the life of Benjamin Franklin and the Wright Brothers.
- Learning about the features of instruction texts and creating instruction texts linked to our Design Technology work - how to make a kite.
- Writing poems using the Cinquain technique.

In Numeracy we will be:

- Continuing to learn times tables. We will consolidate our learning and then add the 9 times table.
- Consolidating our written methods for addition and subtraction.
- Solving problems involving multiplication and division.
- Measuring length and applying this to perimeter and area.

In Science we will be:

Learning about living things and their habitats including;

- Using Venn and Carroll diagrams to sort living things.
- Identify animals which are vertebrates and invertebrates.
- Using a key to classify vertebrates.
- Identifying habitats of different animals and understand why they live there.
- Learning how environmental factors can have an impact on an animal's habitat.

In ICT we will be:

- Learning about how to keep safe when using the internet.
- Learning about cyberbullying.
- Learning skills to make us efficient when using the internet to search for information.
- Developing our skills to enhance presentation skills including copy, paste, crop, rotate, and inserting text boxes using a variety of packages such as Microsoft Word and PowerPoint.

In Design Technology we will be:

- Learning about kites.
- Designing our own kites.
- Making a kite and evaluating it.

In History we will be:

- Learning how things have changed over the years.
- Comparing how life is different now than it was when mum and dad and grandparents and great grandparents were children by looking at how toys, clothes, films, music etc have changed.
- Learn how the Wright Brothers designed and made the first successful powered plane.
- The life and achievements of Benjamin Franklin.

In RE we will be:

- Learning what the Bible is and how it is written and how it relates to the Jewish, Muslim & Christian Faiths.
- Learning about the stories of the Bible using 'What's in the Bible?' as a stimulus for discussion.
- Recording and reflecting on our learning identifying how what we have learned will impact our lives.

In music we will be:

- Learning about the violin.
- Learning the different ways to play a violin (plucking and use of a bow)

In PE we will be:

- Refining the basic shapes of gymnastics.
- Refining ways of travelling across various apparatus.
- Developing the skills of basketball, leading into playing matches (1st half term)
- Swimming (2nd half term)
- Hockey (2nd half term)

Our SEAL topic this half-term is going for goals.