

Forest Schools/ PSHE

Children will develop their collaborative working skills in a range of team building exercises. They will develop their concentration and listening skills through learning how to tie knots and use a range of tools safely. They will be developing their knowledge of species and how to care for the environment they live in.

Topic

Our focus will be on the Ancient Civilisation of the Shang Dynasty.

History - Children will learn how to place events, artefacts and historical figures on a time line using dates and use these dates and terms to be able to describe different significant events such as battles and changes of ruler. Describe different accounts of a historical event, explaining some of the reasons why the accounts may differ. Children will learn to suggest causes and consequences of some of the main events and changes in history.

Art - During the first half term, Children will learn and refine sketching skills and use different hardness of pencils, hatching and crosshatching skills to show line, tone and texture. They will learn to sketch lightly and use shading to show light and shadow, related to our topic work where possible.

D & T - After half term, children will learn how to shape and stitch different materials, how to use basic cross and back stitch. They will also create traditional Chinese lanterns using sketched designs as decoration.

Literacy

During the first half term the children will look at narratives with a specific focus on stories from other cultures, linked to our Topic, After half term, we will move onto before moving on to poetry work and writing information texts. There will be a weekly spelling focus on learning common exception words.

Caterpillars' Autumn 2018 "The Shang Dynasty"

Maths

We will be developing our knowledge of calculation methods and having a weekly times tables. We will be focusing on applying the children's knowledge to solve mathematical word problems and developing their ability to explain their reasoning.

Languages

Focus on Spanish: an introduction to the language

ICT

Children will be learning how to use technological equipment, computers and the internet with a focus on safety. After half term they will learn about the different ways technology is used and impacts our lives.

Science - Animals & Humans

Children will identify that animals and humans need different types of nutrition and that they get nutrition from what they eat. They will identify that humans and some other animals have skeletons for support, movement and protection.

Rocks and Soils

Children will be able to compare and group different rocks based on their properties as well as describe how fossils are formed. They will recognise that soils are made from rocks and organic matter. They will be able to name different types of rocks and how each type is formed.

P.E. - Gymnastics and Mile a day.

Music - Samba

The children will participate in Samba drumming lessons to develop their skills in identifying rhythm as well as their confidence to perform in-front of others.

RE - Worship, pilgrimage and sacred places.

Children will study the key features of worship and what worship means to a believer in Christianity and Hinduism. Children will explore the concepts of pilgrimage and sacred places within the contexts of Christianity and Hinduism.