

Writing

This half term, we will be using two texts:
The cobbler of Krakow (Defeating a monster)

How to trap a dragon (Instruction)

We will use these texts as inspiration for all our
writing across the half term.

Children will have the opportunity to explore the genre
'defeating a monster' and writing instructions.

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Maths

To begin the year, both year groups will be completing
White Rose blocks on:

Year 3 - Addition, subtraction and place value.

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They will also be participating in basic skills sessions to
deepen their learning and retrieval.

Reading

In our reading sessions, all children will be
increasing their familiarity with a wide range of
books, including fairy stories, myths and legends,
and retelling some of these orally and asking
questions to improve their understanding of a
text.

We will also be listening to and discussing a wide
range of fiction, poetry, plays, non-fiction and
reference books or textbooks.

We will also be continuing with our whole class
reading books too.

RE

This term, our RE topic is called Creation and Covenant.

This term, pupils will learn that humans are made in God's image and
are called to care for Creation through stewardship. They will explore
how Catholics strive to grow in holiness through faith, prayer, and the
sacraments, and how the Church gives thanks for God's gifts through
prayer, liturgy, and the celebration of Mass.

This term, pupils will learn about Abraham and how his faith in God led
him to respond to God's call and enter into a special covenant
relationship with Him. They will explore how these covenants helped
restore humanity's relationship with God and prepared the way for
Jesus.

Science

Our Science curriculum this term is split into three exciting areas:

- **Data Collection:** Students will learn how to collect data and present their findings clearly in tables and charts to draw conclusions.
- **Habitats:** We are exploring the vital link between living things and their habitats, specifically looking at the impact humans can have on these environments.
- **Sustainability:** The children will deepen their understanding of deforestation and identify its specific effects on natural habitats.

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Geography

Year 3 and 4 will be developing their map skills, learning to identify and use features such as compass points, keys, scale, longitude and latitude. They will also explore how different map scales can show different levels of detail. They will investigate rainforests, learning about the world's biomes, the layers of the rainforest, where rainforests are found and how they are being changed. They will consider why rainforests are important for the health of our planet.

Computing

Year 3 and 4 will be developing their email and online safety skills. They will learn how to identify the different parts of an email, log in safely, and create and send emails with attachments.

They will explore why positive and respectful language is important when communicating online and learn how to spot fake emails by looking for clues and evidence.

They will also investigate cyberbullying, learning how to report concerns and ways they can support others to help create a safe, kind and positive online community.

Art

Year 3 and 4 will be developing their drawing skills, using lines and shapes to create 3D forms and experimenting with texture, tone and pattern. They will explore different materials and techniques to create interesting effects and develop problem-solving skills by making changes to improve their artwork. They will also explore how artists from the past have influenced art today.

Music

Year 3 and 4 will be developing their rhythm and performance skills, creating and reading rhythmic patterns and staff notation. They will practise performing rhythms accurately in time, while singing melodies and playing repeating patterns independently. They will also develop their musical judgement by choosing melodies and rhythms that work well together.

French

In French, we will be learning how to respond with appropriate phrases and gestures, recognising how some sounds are represented in written form, learning how to greet someone and ask questions about feelings. We will also know to use the correct French greeting for the time of the day.

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PE

PE days are:

Monday - Year 4 Swimming (15 weeks), Year 3 PE

Tuesday - Year 3 and 4 with Mrs KH

Year 3 will be focusing on Fundamentals on Monday whilst Year 4 are swimming. This develops core movement skills, helping pupils build confidence, coordination and physical ability.

Year 3 / 4 will be on the Dance unit with Mrs KH. Dance helps pupils move to music, create simple dance routines, and perform with confidence while working with others.

PSHE

In PSHE, we will be thinking about what helps us to feel safe and included. We will be recognising what self-respect is and why it is important, identifying personal boundaries, describing what makes a good friend, exploring fair ways to respond after falling out with a friend and identifying what bullying is and how it might make someone feel.