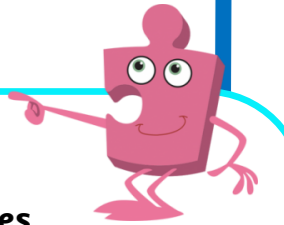


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Our topic for this half term is "The Great Fire of London".

It will include a range of creative and interesting learning that will enable us to have a good knowledge of a significant event.



HISTORY

Great Fire of London



As Historians we will be learning about the Great Fire of London and looking at the life of Samuel Pepys.

Knowledge and Skills:

We will know what a timeline is and use it to sequence events. We will learn about the life of a significant individual from the past and explore why he is important today. We will explore a range of sources to find out about The Great Fire of London and understand how they help us to find out about the past.



COMPUTING

As Computer Experts, we will be learning how to use search engines effectively.

Knowledge and Skills:

To know the importance of searching online safely and how to do this.

To know how to create a fact file.



SCIENCE

We are going to be 'Super Scientists'!

Knowledge and Skills:

We will be learning about significant scientists and how they have helped us today, including Isaac Newton, Linda Brown Buck, Louis Pasteur and Charles Macintosh. We will use their discoveries to set up our own experiments and find out about Gravity, Waterproofing, Senses and How Germs Spread. We will learn what a 'prediction' is, how to carry out experiments and try to explain our results.

Writing

As writers, we will be learning to write a journey story. We will also write a Christmas poem.

Knowledge and Skills

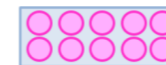
Past and present tense, subordinating conjunctions and expanded noun phrases.

Reading

As readers, we will read a range of stories to develop our prediction, sequencing, inference and retrieval.



MATHS



As Mathematicians we will be focusing on Addition and Subtraction, 2D and 3D shapes.

Knowledge and Skills:

We will add and subtract 2 digit numbers, including crossing 10. We will know related addition and subtraction facts. We will recognise 2D and 3D shapes and their properties and identify faces, edges, vertices.

We will explore lines of Symmetry.

PHYSICAL EDUCATION

We will be creating dances to represent 'The 3 Little Pigs'



Knowledge and Skills:

We will explore creating shapes, linking shapes through travelling and exploring travelling using different levels and dynamics: happy/sad, fast/slow.

We will link actions together to form a dance and perform to the class as part of a group.

PSHE

Celebrating Differences

We will be discussing that everyone can have differences and similarities.

Discuss about bullying and that this shouldn't happen and how to support our class friends.

Knowledge and Skills

Recognise that they shouldn't judge people because they are different and understand that everyone's differences make them special and unique.

MUSIC

"Lights, Camel, Action 2!"



Knowledge and Skills:

We will be learning songs, accompanying them with percussion instruments and practising our performance skills as part of putting on our Christmas Production.

ART & DESIGN



We will be creating 3D models and collages of Tudor houses that will represent a scene from the Great Fire of London.

Knowledge and Skills:

We will use our design, cutting, folding, and measuring skills, we will select colours and materials and evaluate our finished product.

We will use our knowledge about the Great Fire of London to create our models.

HOMEWORK PROJECT: To create a portrait of Samuel Pepys using materials of your choice. To be handed in by: **Monday 4th December**