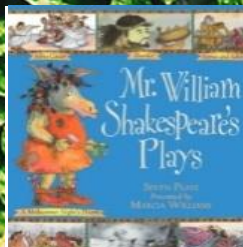


Autumn Term 2 Year 6

English

In English, we are studying Macbeth by William Shakespeare. We will be looking at the witches' chant and then writing our own poem based on this. Next, we will complete a character study of Macbeth himself and look at how he changes as we move through the play. We will continue to practise using more complex sentences as well as varied punctuation marks including semi colons and colons as well as comma, brackets and dashes for parenthesis.

We are reading...



In the second half of term 2, we will look at the skills of diary writing with a historical context. This will link with our work in History where we will write from the point of view of a Victorian child working in the factories and the mines. We will use the knowledge gained in History to make our writing come alive.

Maths

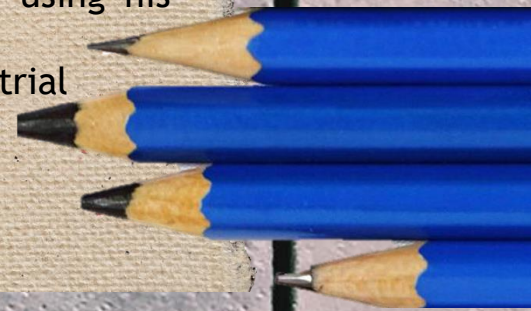
To start the term off, we will be looking at fractions – equivalents, simplifying, and placing them on a number line. We will then move on to fractions and the four operations, including problem solving. To finish, we will be completing a unit on converting measures.

Science

The children will be studying 'Evolution and Inheritance' this term. We will look at how fossils are used to understand evolution, and looking at how Charles Darwin paved the way for the theory of evolution. We will also look at how characteristics are inherited, and how animals are adapted to their environment.

Art

This term, we will develop our skills in art by working with mixed media and looking at shadow, shade and tone. We will start by looking at the work of the artist Tonnervick before using his work, and our sketches, to produce our final piece. Our work will have an industrial feel which links perfectly to our unit of work in History.



History

Our BIG question for this term is: What was the impact of the Industrial Revolution on Britain? To begin with, we will look at why so many changes happened at this time. We will explore the changes including the expansion of factories, the development of the canal and railway systems, what children's lives were like and housing and sanitation. The children will also have the opportunity to look at key inventions and their inventors and reflect on how this time in History has shaped our lives today.

DT

The children will be using their Design Technology skills to create a playground design. They will need to think carefully about the layout of a playground, and how it is suitable for children. The children will then create structures, and add detail to them, including learning about cladding and how it helps the rigidity of a structure. They will then finalise their design by thinking about the surrounding environment.

RE

This term the children will be considering the questions 'What can be done to reduce racism? Can religion help?'. They will look at how the teachings in various religions provide guidance on reducing racism, and look at how they can express their own vision for justice and equality.

PSHCE

This term the children will be focusing on mental health, and how to keep their minds healthy. They will be thinking about how they might feel in different situations, including beginning to talk about moving on to secondary school.

Computing

The children will be network developers this term! They will be finding out the key differences between the World Wide Web and internet, understanding what a network is and how they are connected. They will be demonstrating their own search engines, and investigating how data is sent and received. We will also continue with our online safety lessons as well.

PE

Swimming will continue on Tuesdays for 5 sessions, and on Wednesdays the children will be working on their Tag Rugby skills. Don't forget PE kits are to be worn on these days.

Music

The children will be busy preparing for the Key Stage 2 Christmas service, so keep an ear out at home for any songs that they might be singing!