

Computing

This half term, we are continuing with Scratch coding by creating a 'Heroes and Villains' game where the hero will win by collecting coins and destroying their opponent's health. We will be further exploring digital citizenship.

Humanities

We will study young people's lives in Aleppo, Syria and make a comparison with city life in Glasgow. We will be learning about movement of refugees to the UK. We will also be expanding our knowledge of global mapping by learning about climate zones, longitude and latitude.

English—Reading

We launch with the beautiful picture book, 'Wisp - a story of Hope' and progress to our novel, 'The Fox Girl and the White Gazelle' by Victoria Williamson. We will be analysing language and structure in prose and poetry, exploring themes of place and belonging. We are reading at home as much as we can and quizzing on all our books to support our understanding and reading skill.

Art & DT

We will be enjoying half days of art and DT to enable us to see a project through from initial idea to completion and evaluation. We will be creating and making tiles decorated with Islamic art.

English—Writing

We will be creating memory poetry inspired by our reading in the first weeks of term, followed by a 'long read' or reportage article mixing non-fiction and characters from our novel showing what we have learnt about families seeking refuge in the UK. We continue to work on our handwriting, spelling, punctuation and grammar.

PE

We are honing our social skills (whilst distancing!) in PE this half term, focussing on teamwork, leadership and planning together to complete a physical task. We continue with our daily mile to improve our stamina and general fitness.

RE

'Was Jesus the Messiah?' is our theme for RE this half term and, as Christmas approaches, we will be considering the Christian view of Jesus as saviour, studying the Transfiguration and thinking about its impact.

PSHE

In PSHE, we are thinking about emotional health and wellbeing, taking care of ourselves and each other. We will particularly consider ideas around forgiveness and gratitude.

Science

We are studying electricity this half term; learning key vocabulary; making circuits with some unusual components and learning how to draw circuit diagrams correctly. We will be finding out how our power is generated.

Maths

During our maths lessons, we are multiplying and dividing this half term, including beginning long division and tackling more complex reasoning. Later we will be revising fractions, expanding our skills with fractions and learning about geometry, position and direction.

French

We continue to enjoy French lessons this half term and we are practising reading menus and ordering food and drink. Later, we will be learning about French Christmas customs and learning some festive greetings!

Music

We are fortunate this half term to be enjoying music lessons with a specialist teacher. We are singing (within Covid guidelines), learning harmony with instruments and rhythm with drumming. Most of all, we'll be having lots of fun together and creating a beautiful noise!

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