

This half term our topic is

Rivers, Mountains and Giants

Experiences

We look forward to celebrating World Book Day on Friday 5th March when families and staff at home and at school will join together for a morning of fun and games. We also hope to visit the River Clyst locally for some fieldwork activities and sketching.

English

We will be reading the wonderful and much-loved book, *The BFG* by Roald Dahl. Our English work will be linked to the story and the children will be writing for a range of purposes and in a range of genres, including poetry, persuasive writing, a recount, adverts and adventure story writing. The children will be encouraged to practise spellings daily, complete reading challenges and use Nessy online learning to support individual progress in reading and spelling.

Maths

Y3 will be working on measurement (length and perimeter) and fractions. Y5&6 pupils will continue their work on fractions and then focus on percentages and decimals. We will be using the White Rose Online Resources to support our teaching and learning and the school is providing resource packs for home learning.

Science

The science topics for this half term are forces and magnets. The children will investigate pushes and pulls, magnetic poles, gravity, air resistance, water resistance and friction.

Art

Art this half term will be based on the theme of rainforests. The children will learn how to make a traditional mola and to create a rainforest diorama based on a Henri Rousseau painting.

Religious Education

The children will explore religion, family and community within Christianity and Islam.

PSHE

The children will touch on various topics to understand how to keep safe, manage their behaviour and the risks involved.

Music

The children will be accessing their musical learning either at home or in school from the Charanga Devon Music Hub. The children will explore rhythm, musical notation, pitch and harmony through the song *Let Your Spirit Fly*.

Computing

The children will use audacity to record and edit sound to create a Radio Programme. They will create a jingle, record an interview and create an advert.

Physical Education

The children will take part in cricket and rounders activities to develop their striking and fielding skills. They will also do some gymnastics work on shape and balance.

Geography

The children will learn about major rivers and mountains of the world, features of a river, erosion and deposition, the formation and features of mountains and the impact of tourism.

French

We will be learning the basics of the French language through the topic, 'Getting to know you'. The children will learn to greet each other, exchange names, ask how someone is, count to 10 and say how old they are.