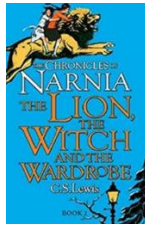


English

We will begin this half term reading the text *The Tear Thief* by Carol Ann Duffy. We will learn to use expanded noun phrases and similes. We will learn to use expanded noun phrases to describe and add suffixes to spell longer words including ment, -ness, -ful, -less, -ly. They will conclude the unit by creating a character description for our invented character. In Grammar lessons, we will explore adverbs of time, place and cause. Then we will learn about coordinating conjunctions. We will continue to teach spelling using the RWI Spelling programme. Our class reader this half term is the children's classic, *The Lion, The Witch and The Wardrobe* by Lewis Carroll.



DT

Castles – In this unit we will design a castle with key features. We will utilise skills to build a complex structure from simple geometric shapes. The children will evaluate their work by answering simple questions.

PE

Fitness – In this unit pupils are exposed to a range of activities that explore and develop different areas of their health and fitness. Pupil will learn that being fit means having strong, healthy bodies and more energy for everyday life activities. Manchester United Foundation will deliver our Friday PE session this half term.

Science

In this unit 'Plants' children will learn how to: identify and describe the functions of different parts of flowering plants: roots, stem/trunk, leaves and flowers. They explore the requirements of plants for life and growth (air, light, water, nutrients from soil, and room to grow) and how they vary from plant to plant. They learn how to investigate the way in which water is transported within plants and finally they learn how to explore the part that flowers play in the life cycle of flowering plants.

Music

Pentatonic melodies and composition – In this unit children will match their movements to the music, explaining why they chose these movements. They will accurately notate and play a pentatonic melody and play their part in a composition confidently.

Religion

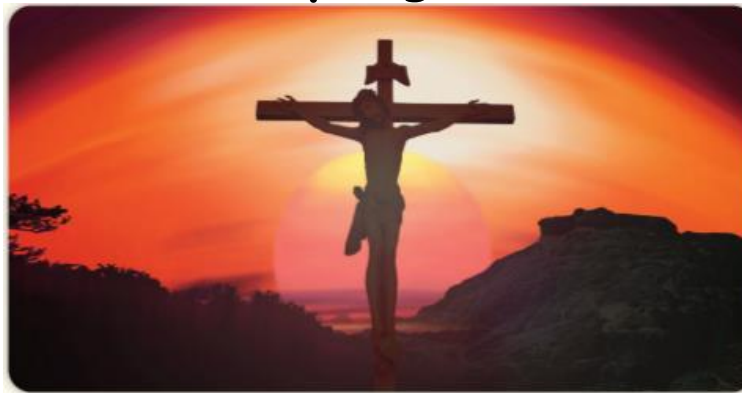
Desert to Garden – We will begin this branch with two additional units, God's Great love and the Sacrament of Reconciliation. This will help our children to learn about the importance of asking for forgiveness and to help them fully prepare for their 'First Confession.' We will then study the miracle of the loaves and fishes. We will learn how Jesus' words and actions are important as they foreshadow what will happen at the Last Supper. At the heart of the liturgical year is the celebration of the Paschal Triduum when we remember the saving Passion, death, and Resurrection of Christ on Maundy Thursday, Good Friday, and Easter Sunday. These three days are what Lent is leading up to and Easter is leading away from.



Computing

Computing systems and networks 3: Journey Inside a Computer. In this unit we will learn to recognise inputs and outputs, and that the computer sends and receives information. We will learn to explain that the parts of a laptop work together and what an algorithm is. They will suggest what memory is for inside a computer and make comparisons between different types of computers.

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Geography

How has the landscape and land use of the United Kingdom changed over time? - We will be learning how land can be used in lots of different ways and how to use Ordnance Survey maps (using 4 figure grid references) to locate different land uses in my local area. We will use online mapping tools and aerial photographs to locate different land uses in the UK and we will study the land uses in a contrasting location in the UK to where I live. We will sketch and annotate the land uses seen in my local area, Carrington Moss and they will be able to explain the different types of land use seen.

MFL

Year 3 will enjoy French lessons every Thursday. Multi-sensory lessons will involve stories, games, songs and sentence building.

PSHE

Citizenship – We will learn that children have rights and how these benefit them. They will be able to explain the responsibilities adults have for supporting children's rights. We will discuss the benefits of recycling and recognise some of the different groups within the local community and how they use local buildings.

Maths

We will begin the term revisiting division, dividing 2-digit number by 1 digit number with no exchange and then remainders. We will then begin our next unit Length and Perimeter. This unit is important as it challenges children to measure accurately in millimetres, centimetres and metres. They will investigate and recognise how these units of measure are linked and begin converting between single and mixed units. They will use this understanding to compare, order, add and subtract measurements. Children will also learn to calculate the perimeters of 2D shapes.