



What we have been up to:

In Year 4 we have been.....

writing Poetry based on Maya Angelou's 'Still I Rise'. We also been writing our own stories based on 'The Dragon Slayer'.

We have completed an OAA afternoon as a year group. All three classes took part in this fun outdoor afternoon!

To support the Castle Newnham Marathon Team we have been running a mini marathon around the playground. This was tricky, but great fun!

We have been looking at Freda Kahlo and using her ideas of self-portraits to create our own. For this we focused on our features and shading.

Core Curriculum:

English

In English we will be learning how to write a play script by focusing on the different features and how they can be used effectively. We will then use this knowledge to write our own play script. We will also be learning how to write an effective set of instructions, using this knowledge to write our own.

In Whole Class Reading, we will be reading 'Anglo Saxon Boy' by Tony Bradman and

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answering comprehension questions based on the text.

Maths

We will be learning about length in millimetres, centimetres and kilometres and using our addition and subtraction skills to solve word problems. We will then be learning about the perimeter of rectangles and rectilinear shapes.

Later in the term, we will begin a topic of multiplication and division. We will be multiplying and dividing by 10 and 100 and then developing our knowledge and understanding of times tables including the 3, 6, 9 and 7 times tables.

Science

Within Science, we will be looking at 'Sound'. This involves learning about how sound travels, how we hear and different forms of sound. We will be using various methods to support our understanding of sound such as demonstrations, making sound sandwiches and observations.

KIRFS (Key Instant Recall Facts)

We will be practicing our times table knowledge using TTRS and Rolling Numbers. We will also be practicing multiplying numbers by 10 and 100 and using different mental addition and subtraction strategies.

Other areas of the Curriculum:

Computing

In Computing, we will be learning about 'Internet Research' using our ILeran2 programme.

Personal Development

In Personal Development, we will be looking at 'Understanding Differences'. Within this we will explore; appearances, bullying, influences, celebrating our differences and problem solving.

RE

In RE we will be learning how festivals and worship shows what matters to Muslims with a focus on Ramadan and Eid.

Topic

Our Topic for this half term is 'Mayans'. In this topic we will be looking at the Mayan life, exploring their way of life, food they ate, beliefs and traditions and why they were so important.

Alongside this we will be creating our own Mayan artwork. This will focus on the use of different patterns and colours to create a final piece.

PE

In PE we will be learning about Gymnastics and Hockey. This term we are lucky enough to be getting lessons from Miss Owen (Secondary PE) who will be sharing all of her knowledge to teach us Hockey.

Reminders/Key dates:

Autumn term
End of Autumn term
17 December

Panto trip
10 December

Christmas performance
TBC

Topic
The Mayans