

Year 5: Spring 1

RE

This half term we are starting Branch Three of our R.E curriculum- Galilee to Jerusalem. The children will explore the new law given by Jesus and how it fulfils the law of Moses. They will also look at the Transfiguration and the Beatitudes, comparing them to the 10 Commandments they learned about in Branch One. We also have a focus on the 'Our Father' prayer and its importance to us.

English

This half term in literacy we will be covering a range of genres with a focus on poetry where we will be looking at 'The Highway Man' as well as a film-based unit called 'The Forbidden Zone'. We will be using our VIPERs skills to help develop our reading comprehension as well as writing our own forms of narrative poetry and using a 'show, don't tell' approach within our writing. Also, the children will learn more about different language devices and techniques used within poetry such as metaphors, similes, alliteration and onomatopoeia. Grammar work will continue to focus on using different forms of punctuation including brackets, dashes, commas and colons within their writing to vary their sentence types. The children will also continue to receive weekly spellings to help develop their language and confidence in using these trickier words within their writing.

Maths

This half term, the children will be focusing on multiplication and division as well as fractions. With multiplication and

division, we will be strengthening the children's knowledge and use of both short and long multiplication and division. In fractions, we will progress to thinking about multiplying fractions by integers as well as unit and non-unit fractions.

Topic- 1960s (History)

This term we are studying the 1960s. We will be looking at how life in Britain changed after World War Two. We will explore main features of life during this time period including the music, art and fashion of the era. The children will then get the chance to compare the 1960s to other decades including the 1950s as well as contemporary society.

Science- Properties of Materials

This half term our Science topic is Properties of Materials. The children will investigate the features of various properties including their hardness, solubility, transparency, conductivity (electrical and thermal), and response to magnets.

Computing

In Computing, we will be using PurpleMash for our topic of Databases. Children will create their own databases as well as query existing databases to find information that they are being asked for. By the end of the unit, children would have explored single and multiple table databases to solve problems.

P.E

In P.E this half term, the children will have two lessons a week with PSD instructors and coaches in which they will develop skills and play various games related to their topics.