

English: Under the topic heading Travel and Adventure, Mr Whitworth's class will be reading *Northern Lights* by Philip Pullman. Miss Williamson's class will be exploring a range of non-fiction texts. Both sets will use texts as a basis for developing an awareness of language devices and structure, acting as a springboard for their own writing.

Maths:
Year 7 will revise the 4 Rules including decimals and fractions.
Mental Maths and Tables practice throughout.
Number properties including primes, squares, factors, HCF and negative numbers.
Mathletics tasks at home will help with all these topics.

Science:
This term we will be learning about 'Respiration and breathing' we then continue building our knowledge of human biology by studying 'Food and digestion' which also covers health and nutrition.

French: This term we will begin by revising question words and question structures and revising the topic of describing oneself. We will then go on to learn the parts of the body, how to talk about illness and additional expressions and idioms that use the verbs 'avoir' and 'être'. We will also be talking about healthy eating and lifestyles and how we can be healthy, as well as looking at healthy eating advice.

PE/Physical
The year will start with some baseline fitness assessments. This will be followed by a half term of Swimming, then Basketball and Badminton.

History:
The focus of our lessons in the first half term will be the First and Third Crusades and Richard the Lionheart. The second half of the term will be King John. Was he really such a bad king? What led to his bad reputation and the signing of the Magna Carta in 1215.

Year 7 Michaelmas Term Curriculum Map

Geography:
This term will focus on the structure of the earth and the global distribution of earthquakes and volcanoes. Year 7 will learn that tectonic plates play an important role in shaping the physical geography of the Earth's surface and explore how humans have adapted in different regions to these challenges.

RS: (or TPR as it is now known): Our origins, faith, rules, obedience and the nature of humanity are the starting points as we undertake the CE syllabus. Children will explore and reflect upon Old Testament stories and how their interpretation has an impact on contemporary moral issues.

Computing:
The first half of Michaelmas term is all about e-safety. We will be using various tools and techniques that will show our children how to use the internet as safely as possible.

Art:
In Art this term, we will be exploring the surreal and how it is presented within art. We will look at several surrealist artists and make our own, Joseph Cornell surrealist wreath. The project will have them exploring numerous drawing materials and using collage.

Theatre Studies and Music:
Theatre Studies: We shall be exploring character, motivation, vocal technique, blocking and working towards the Duologue evening that was taken from us last year!
Music: Year 7 have mostly been focusing on their Duologues but several of the class have been participating in a wide variety of musical activities in the music department such as Concert band, Chapel choir and a Year 7 Informal concert.