

Once upon a time...

ENGLISH

Children will be revising basic writing skills during the first four weeks of term to create a foundation to develop their writing skills for the rest of year. We will be looking at a classic fairy tale and comparing this with a modern take focussing on the differences between the two texts.

Children will then create a set of instructions on 'how to grow your own beanstalk.' Children will be encouraged to read other fairy tales at home.

Jack and the Beanstalk:

- Use the first two or three letters of a word to check its spelling in a dictionary.
- Write from memory simple sentences that include words and punctuation taught so far.
- Analysing a text looking for mistakes, and correcting them where required.
- Create a set of instructions to 'grow your own beanstalk.'

MATHS

The children will be starting the year by looking at place value then this will progress to addition and subtraction at the end of term. The areas that will be focused on are:

- Count in multiples of 6,7,9, 25 and 1000. (Multiplication will be a focus throughout the year.)
- Recognise the place value of each digit in a four-digit number. (Thousands, hundreds, tens and ones.)
- Find 1000 more or less than a given number.
- Round numbers to the nearest 10, 100 or 1000.
- Count backwards through zero to include negative numbers.
- Read Roman numerals up to 100. (I to C.)

Addition and subtraction:

- Add and subtract four-digit numbers using the column method.
- Estimate and use inverse operations to check answers.
- Solve addition and subtraction two-step problems.

SCIENCE

This term science will be focussing on animals (including humans) and their teeth and how they play a part in the digestive system. Children will be developing their scientific knowledge to apply this to practical experiments.

- Exploring the first stage of the digestive system.
- Begin to understand the human digestive system.
- Interpret food chains and discuss the impact of changes to a chain.

ART

Art will be linked to our topic of Fairy tales and History. We will be creating a range of:

- Sculptures
- Pictures (using different creative tools such as paints, pastels etc.)
- Exploring the works of Arthur Rackham

HISTORY

The Ancient Egyptians:

- Ancient Egyptian society
- Architecture (Pyramids, temples)
- Hieroglyphics
- Ancient Egyptian music
- Key geographic locations

RE/SEAL

- Exploring the Islamic faith and comparing it to Christianity.
- New beginnings.
- Explore the four key social aspects of learning: Empathy, self-awareness, social skills and motivation.

PE

- Various forms of circuit training concentrating on strength, technique control and balance.
- Outdoor competitive games (Such as handball, field sports etc.)
- Develop children's team work and communication skills.

GEOGRAPHY

- Use a range of maps, atlases and google Earth to locate various countries and describe their features.
- Look at Russia and its key physical and human characteristics.

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