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Year B Termly Overview



Key Texts	Oliver Twist by Charles Dickens, Fair's Fair by Leon Garfield, Leon and The Place Between by Angela McAllister, The Magic Box by Kit Wright A Christmas Carol by Charles Dickens.
English Writing Genres	The Museum of Me – Children will write their own verse of a poem based on the 'The Magic Box' by Kit Wright. Oliver Twist - Children will write a diary entry about a day in Oliver's life. The Great Exhibition – Children will write an information text about The Great Exhibition.
Reading Focus	The Dictionary of Difficult Words- Children will become confident users of the dictionary, making sure that they can pick up any dictionary and use it. Children will then go on to practice their retrieval and inference skills across a variety of texts including poetry, non-fiction.
Oracy	Children will be encouraged to: track the speaker, hook back to prior learning, discuss ideas, give opinions and challenge other viewpoints. Sentence stems will be used to contribute towards class discussions.
Maths	Over the course of the term children will cover place value, addition and subtraction followed by multiplication. Alongside this children will practice daily KIRF facts. There will also be a focus on number talk and fluency.
PSHE	This term in PSHE children will focus on their own personal health and well-being. Children will look at the importance of diet and exercise as well as the impact of food that we eat. We will use the texts 'Oliver's Vegetables' 'Herb the Vegetarian Dragon' and 'Zombies don't eat Vegetables. 'We will then be looking at the role of families and close personal relationships. After half-term we will move onto understanding bullying and hurtful behavior both online and in person. As we head towards Christmas we will look at the role of communities and why they are important.
History	Children will learn about Barnstaple during the Victorian era. They will explore how our town has changed since the early 1900s and what life was like in Victorian Barnstaple. They will be comparing life as a Victorian to life as a child today. We will then look at The Great Exhibition – what is was and why it happened. Our history Heroes for this topic will be Queen Victoria and Prince Albert as well as Sarah Forbes Bonetta and the works of Arthur Conan Doyle
Geography	Children will learn about the local area and be able to locate where we live on a map of the UK. There will also be a focus on map skills, with children being able to read and create their own maps with an appropriate key We will move on to looking at the UK and how it compares to the rest of the world, with a focus on the British Empire of the past and the Commonwealth today.
Science	The topic in Science this term in light. Children will learn about shadows and how an object can be opaque or translucent. Children will also learn about the importance of sun safety.

Art/DT	Children will be focusing on repeating patterns in Art this term with a focus on the key Victorian artist 'William Morris'. Children will also create Victorian Silhouette art,, linking with their science work. Children will have opportunities to make their own Victorian toys with Mrs Kilford.
RE	In RE, we will be exploring the religion of Christianity. We will be answering the question 'What do Christians learn from the creation story?'
PE	PE will be led this term by Mrs James. The children will continue to enhance their invasion game skills in tag=rugby and netball.
Music	This term Herons will be looking at the musical topic 'Victorian Street Cries. And Music Hall.' Pupils will sing and perform a number of different Victorian street cries before composing their own, exploring melodic shape and pitch.
MFL	In MFL, we will be introducing the children into learning Spanish greetings, the alphabet, colours and numbers, as well as basic classroom instructions. As we progress through the term, we will be listening to and learning to share a traditional tale or fairy tale in Spanish.
ICT	In computing we will be using laptops and tablets to recap our basic knowledge of word processing. We will be learning about and discussing e-safety and using a range of stories to link to our PSHE learning about being safe online. These stories include 'Trolls Stink' and '#Goldilocks.' Children will have opportunities to create their own animations and learn how to use computer software for this purpose.
Forest School	In Forest School, children will undertake building their own obstacle course, to link to the need for fitness and the ways in which our bodies work
Visits	Children will be going on residential to Simonsbath to focus on the PSHE topic of health and fitness and how to look after themselves. Children will also walk around Barnstaple in order to create their own maps.

Resources:

Google Earth - https://www.google.co.uk/intl/en_uk/earth/
Coding - Computer programming | Computing | Khan Academ