



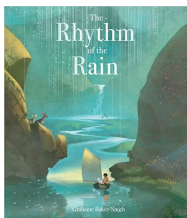
Swallow Class Curriculum News (Spring 2 2024)

Water, Water Everywhere!



English

This term our English text is a non-fiction picture book for older children, 'The Rhythm of the Rain' by Graham Baker-Smith. As before, the book will be introduced gradually to the children and explored in depth. Our writing outcomes will be explanation texts and poetry. Weekly grammar and spelling lessons will continue.



Science

In science, the children will be investigating the Water Cycle. Identifying the parts and the importance of processes such as evaporation and condensation in the water cycle. They will inquire how temperature affects the rate of evaporation.

ML (French)

French lessons with Mrs Panting will consolidate the family topic, and then progress to pets, time and Easter.

Geography

This half term, we try to answer the question of why is the climate and the time different in different parts of the world?

We will explore weather, climates and climate change.

PSHE

The theme for the SCARE unit this half term is 'Rights and Respect'. Lessons include; looking at the responsibilities of those that help to keep the children safe and how they can help, understanding that they have rights but that these rights come with responsibilities and looking at how the media can influence the way they think.

If you would like further details of the curriculum, please see Mrs Whittle.

Computing

The Spring 2 'Teach Computing' unit aims to explore the children's understanding of how and why data is collected and used. The children will also use data loggers to carry out their own investigations.

Maths

The White Rose Maths units this term include; 'Number: Fractions and Decimals (A)

We will continue to use a wide range of resources and strategies to ensure that the children have a good understanding of the Maths they are learning.

RE

This half term the children look at the Christian celebration of Easter, investigating the question; Is forgiveness always possible for Christians? They will endeavour to understand how Jesus' life, death and resurrection teaches Christians about forgiveness.

Music

The children will be looking at 'Rock and Roll'. Singing and hand jiving to some well known songs from this genre.

PE

PE and Games lessons will continue to take place on **Monday** and **Thursday**. On Mondays, the children will again be swimming at the Thorpe St Andrews swimming pool and on Thursdays developing striking and fielding skills in games such as cricket/rounders.

Art/DT

In DT, the children will work on identifying electrical products and explain why they are useful. Then design and create a functioning torch with a switch according to a design criteria.