

Year 5 Update

R.E

Topic: Memorial Sacrifice

- Children have looked at different artwork representing the last supper and have discussed the symbolism within these.
- The children have made links between Passover and the last supper.

Key vocabulary: Eucharist, sacrifice, symbols, last supper, Passover.

Pre-teaching: Next week the children will be learning about how and why the Eucharist is remembered.

English

Harry Potter day

On Thursday we had a Harry Potter themed day in Year 5. The children have really been enjoying reading the book in class and it was great to see them dress up as their favourite characters. The children took part in a range of Harry Potter inspired activities including an escape room, where children had to work together to solve a series of clues. They enjoyed watching the film in afternoon and tried some homemade butterbeer.

Padua

Topic: Poetry

Purpose: to entertain

- Children wrote motivational poems for the year 6 children preparing for SATs.

Grammar:

- Children revised modal verbs and wrote a persuasive paragraph on which Hogwarts house they would like to be in, using modal verbs.

Comprehension focus:

- Vocabulary questions

What do the words and suggest about the character, setting and mood?

Which word tells you that....?

Key vocabulary: poetry, rap, stanza, assonance

Pre-teaching: Next week the children will be reading the Watertower by Gary Crew

Lisbon

Topic: The Watertower

Purpose: To entertain

- The children looked for evidence of tension in the text and searched for clues in the illustrations.
- The children considered the use of expanded noun phrases, personification and very precise verbs.

Key vocabulary: suspense, tension, personification, parenthesis

Pre-teaching: Next week we will be looking at how dialogue used within the text can move on the action. We will also focus on the concept of 'Show don't tell' - a writing technique in which story and characters are related through sensory details and actions rather than exposition.

Maths

Padua

Topic: Fractions

- The children have been multiplying fractions with a whole number

Key vocabulary: integer, fractions, multiply

Pre-teaching: children will be completing reasoning tasks

They will be converting units of measure

Lisbon:

Topic: Converting measures

- The children converted units of time e.g. How many minutes are there in 3 hours and 20 minutes? They converted from small units to larger units and vice versa.

Key Vocabulary: compare, convert, second, minute, hour, day, multiply, divide,

Pre-teaching: Next week the children will be calculating and comparing the area of rectangles (including squares) using standard units, square centimetres (cm²) and square metres (m²) and estimating the area of irregular shapes.

Design Technology

Topic: Textiles: stuffed toys

- This week the children have designed their own stuffed toy.

Key vocabulary: running stitch, blanket stitch, design criteria, sew, fabric, template, appendage

Next week the children will start to sew the body of their stuffed toy.

Forest School

Forest School Needs Your Help To Build a Dead Hedge! 🌿

Our school is creating a dead hedge to mark out the area of the Forest School site. This is a fantastic way to support wildlife and create natural barriers, but we need your help.

We need logs and long branches to make it happen. If you have any spare from garden clearance or pruned trees, please bring them to school and leave them at the edge of the Forest School site.

Thank you for helping us make our school greener and more wildlife-friendly! 🌿 🐦



Important information

- We invite you to join us in the hall after school on Tuesday 18th March where we will be displaying the children's solar systems.
- Friday 21st March is Padua's retreat day at St. Michael's. Please can children bring in a packed lunch on this day.

Have a lovely weekend,

Amy, Catherine. Rachel and Magda.