

English Class text-The Lonely Beast

Have you heard of the Beasts? No, not many people have. That's because they are very rare. This is the tale of one such Beast, whose determination to overcome his loneliness leads him to undertake a daring and dangerous quest to find others like him. Trekking over mountains and swimming under seas, he comes at last to a great city. There he finds many delights but sadly no Beasts, so he returns home, where a surprise awaits him. During our text we will have an opportunity to explore the characters through drama and writing in role in diary entries. We will express our thoughts and feelings through poetry. We will try to use past and present tenses consistently as well as learn to use simple conjunctions to add detail to our written work.

RE- Incarnation

During this topic, we will learn about the Christmas story and the birth of Jesus. They will consider what gifts were given to Jesus and the meaning behind them. They will also talk about what it feels like to give and receive special gifts.

Geography- field work and mapping

We will practise using aerial view maps and compass directions to navigate our school and our grounds. We will practise our fieldwork skills to investigate the answer to an enquiry question. Following our environmental observations and findings, we will present our data and answer our enquiry questions. We will consider ideas about how we could further improve our school areas and the impact we could have on them in the future.

Music- Dance, sing and play

During this topic, we will ask and explore the question 'How does music tell stories about the past?'. We have learnt that music is made up of long and short sounds called 'rhythm' and high and low sounds that we call 'pitch'. As we dance, sing, and play instruments we will explore these sounds and how they work together.

Maths

Place value- We will learn to read, write, order and compare numbers to 100. We will practise finding one more and one less and estimate along number lines. We will practice partitioning numbers in lots of different ways using a variety of different models to represent numbers.

Shape- We will learn about 2D and 3D shapes. We will recognise them, naming them and describing them. We will not only explore their properties but also their lines of symmetry.

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Computing- Creating media- digital painting.

We will explore the world of digital art and its exciting range of creative tools. We will create our own paintings, while getting inspiration from a range of other artists. We will conclude by asking them to consider their preferences when painting with, and without, the use of digital devices.

PSHE/RSE-Valuing differences

We will learn about the similarities and differences between ourselves and others. We will learn about the difference between unkindness, teasing and bullying as well as what it means if something is fair or unfair. We will continue to learn about the importance of rules to keep us safe and special people in our lives and communities.

Science-Everyday Materials

We will continue to learn about everyday materials including wood, plastic, metal, water and rock. We will learn to compare the suitability of different materials for different purposes. We will learn about the process of recycling as well as the importance of the inventor John McAdam and the impact he has had in our lives.

DT - Fire, fire!!!

We will begin by exploring fire engines their purpose and different features before labelling them. We will explore wheels, axles and chassis and how we could use different materials to create other features of a fire engine such as ladders and compartments. Finally we will design and make our own fire engines before finally evaluating our efforts.

Things to remember:

Only year two have forest school on Wednesdays this half term.
Only year one have PE on Wednesdays.
All Kestrels have PE on Fridays.