

Vancouver Class Topic Map Autumn 1

Welcome back! I hope you have all had a wonderful summer break and are ready for all the exciting topics and learning planned in for this year. Please have a good read through all the information on this topic map as it will help you support your child with their learning. Having conversations over dinner or on the way to and from school can provide excellent opportunities for you to ask questions about what your child is learning across the curriculum. By answering questions and engaging in discussions, your child will be beginning to master their own knowledge and understanding by recalling their learning.

Maths

This half term we will be focussing on place value. Children will be developing fluency with numbers up to one million as well as exploring reasoning tasks.

It is so important that the children continue to learn their multiplication tables as this plays an important role in such a wide range of mathematical skills.

English



This half term, the children will be retelling the story of The Three Little Wolves and the Big Bad Pig. We will be focusing on basic sentence structure as well as accurately punctuating speech.



We will then be moving on to write a formal letter to apply for a job-this will incorporate formal vocabulary and varied sentence structures.

Reading

We will be continuing with our Whole Class Reading approach to teaching reading. During dedicated Reading lessons, the children will engage with extracts from a wide range of books. This enables the children to dip their toes into a range of books as well as encounter a rich range of vocabulary and writing styles.



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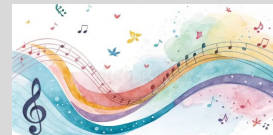
Children will be set spellings to learn each week. These are important steps towards being able to spell the statutory words they will be tested on in Year 6. Therefore, please encourage your child to practice these words regularly.

Science

Our topic this half term is The Human Body where we will focus our learning on the life cycles of mammals including humans.. We will explore why different mammals have varying gestation periods as well as explore how we change throughout our lives.

RE

In this unit, pupils will explore the relationship between being human and being creative. Through engaging with a range of religious traditions, practices and texts, pupils will explore the role of music in expressing identity, belief and belonging.



PE

Please don't forget that Scott Class will be swimming every Friday morning so please ensure your child has a full swimming kit.

The children will also be trying their hand at hockey on a Wednesday.



Respect, Aspire, Challenge, Succeed

History

Our PKC historical journey begins with learning about The Early British Empire. Our first lesson will provide a valuable opportunity to learn more about the various monarchs of the past before we delve deeper into global trade, The Mughal Empire and the East India Company.



Geography

We begin this year developing our sense of the world in our Spatial Sense unit. We will learn about cartographers and how they develop maps using lines of latitude and longitude. This understanding will then enable children to begin to locate places as well as deepen understanding of maps being drawn to various scales.



PSHE

This half term we will be learning about our rights and responsibilities- both personally and within our communities. Children will learn about the United Nations Convention on the Rights of the Child and be able to explain why this is important. This will also be an excellent opportunity to discuss our rules and expectation in school and why these are important for ourselves and those around us.

Computing

This unit introduces children to the process of designing and creating interactive quizzes using Purple Mash's 2Quiz tool. Through exploring question types, adding creative features, and debugging, children will develop their technical skills and creativity while producing engaging quizzes for others to enjoy.

Art

Children start by comparing different styles of brushwork demonstrated by Stubbs in Whistlejacket and by Munch in The Scream of Nature. We go on to compare two radically different styles, rococo and modernism. Using their developing knowledge of colour theory, we will design and create our own abstract work.

French

Children will continue learning French as we move from saying basic greetings and asking simple questions to writing short paragraphs about ourselves.



Home Learning Expectations

*Weekly Maths or English tasks will be set. Please ensure this is handed in by Wednesday.

The children also have activities to choose from on their homework grid with one to be completed each week.

*Reading a minimum of three times per week.

*Practice weekly spellings