Livernool College

Chapter 2 Learning Journey

English

This half term, Chapter 2 will be using The Night Garden by Eric and Terry Fan as a springboard for their learning in English lessons. Based on this text, they will be writing diaries and setting narratives. In our Steps to Read lessons, Chapter 2 are developing their comprehension skills through our Fairy Stories and Poetry topic. This will include a range of texts including The Owl and the Pussycat, The Glassmaker's Daughter and The Secret of the Tattered Shoes.

History

We will be starting our learning in History with our Remembrance topic. We will be focusing on our local hero, Noel Chavasse, as well as considering the roles of women played on the Homefront during wartime. We will be finding out about animals during wartime, including Sergeant Stubby the dog. We will be learning about the Christmas Truce and using this to write letters home from the trenches.

Spanish Los Deportes

Year 2 pupils will continue to practise personal information and dialogues in pairs. They will practise numbers 1-15 in different contexts and learn five sports in Spanish (cognates). Pupils will say which sports they like and dislike and will conduct a survey in Spanish to discover which is the most popular sport. Pupils will learn about Spanish Christmas traditions and a Christmas song. An excellent free app for practising sports vocabulary is ABC Español.

Computing

Children will be using Purple Mash to create their own art based upon different artists and styles. These will include: William Morris, Impressionist artists, Pointillism, Piet Mondrian and some surrealist art.

Physical Education

Year 2 will be exploring the theme of 'The Jungle' in Dance. They will perform basic movements in time to the music, with control and on a variety of levels. By the end of the unit, the children will have developed their creativity and explored how animals in the jungle move. They will perform a jungle dance.

Mathematics

Children will be learning how to estimate and measure lengths in cm and m using rulers and metre sticks, as well as practising drawing lines accurately. Then we will be moving on to interpreting and representing data on block diagrams, tally charts and pictograms. Finally, we will look at multiplication and division, focusing on facts and word problems relating to the 2, 5 and 10 x tables.

Religious Education

We are going to continue our studies of RE this half term by considering why people use candles, and what they mean to people. We will explore beliefs about what candles mean to other people and reflecting on the similarities and differences between festivals, including Diwali, Advent and Hanukah.

Science

We will be identifying a variety of materials and sorting them according to criteria. We will discuss the difference between natural materials and man-made materials. We will go on to look at properties of materials and explore materials that can change shape. We will identify different materials that can be used to make the same products and think why this is.

Music

This term is all about Christmas and its meaning. They will sing songs to explain the story as well as develop an understanding of how instruments can be used to create seasonal accompaniments. They will perform as a class in their Christmas Nativity performance. This will include ostinato and other rhythmical demonstration.

Art/ Design Technology

We begin our sewing journey in Year 2 and are introduced to joining two pieces of textiles together. We will use plastic needles and thread to learn how to sew and to create our very own puppets.

<u>Geography</u>

Chapter 2 will be doing their next Geography unit in the new year.



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