

St Mary Queen of Martyrs Voluntary Catholic Academy

Term: Autumn 1 2021

Year Groups: 3 and 4 – Phase 2

English

Y3 Reading: The children will be reading 'The Flower' by John Light and 'What is Pink?' by Christina Rossetti.

Y4 Reading: The children will be reading 'Escape from Pompeii' by Christina Balit and 'The Promise' by Nicola Davies.

Y3&4 Writing: The children will be focusing on the story *The Abominables* by Eva Ibbotson which is linked to our topic on mountains. They will explore and write explanation texts, diary entries and short narratives.

Maths

We will be following the NCETM Curriculum Prioritisation Framework for Maths. As such, pupils will learn about:

Year 3:

- Adding and subtracting across 10
- Numbers to 1,000

Year 4:

- Column addition and subtraction
- Numbers to 10,000

Religious Education

Y3 Units:

Homes - To know and understand the joys and sorrows of being a family at home and to learn about God's vision for every family.

Promises - To know and understand that belonging to a group involves promises and rules and to learn the meaning of the promises made at Baptism.

Y4 Units:

People - To know and understand our family trees and to learn about the family of God in scripture.

Called - To know and understand the response to being chosen and to learn that Confirmation is a call to witness.

Geography

Main theme:

Pupils will be studying mountains in the topic, *Mighty Mountains*. They will learn about different mountain ranges, how mountains are made and that volcanoes are mountains. They will learn the terms 'snowline' and 'treeline' and about altitudes.

They will use maps, atlases, globes and digital/computer mapping to locate countries and describe features studied. They will use the eight points of a compass, four and six-figure grid references, symbols and keys (including the use of Ordnance Survey maps) to build their knowledge of the wider world.

Science

We will be learning about states of matter by:

- Exploring every day materials before grouping and comparing them
- Investigating and observing how some materials can change state
- Learning about condensation and evaporation

In addition to the above, we will be studying the work of the chemist Alice Ball.

Design and Technology

Textiles: The children will learn to design and make a sampler for a greetings card using binca. Learning to thread a needle and sew many different stitches.

Personal, Social, Health and Citizenship Education

The children will learn to understand rules for, and ways of, keeping safe, including basic road safety, and about people who can help them to stay safe. They will also learn to know that there are different types bullying, that bullying is wrong, and how to get help to deal with bullying.

Computing

The children will be learning how to stay safe on-line including how to behave appropriately and how to report any concerns. Pupils will also develop their word processing skills.

Modern Foreign Languages - French

This half term the children will learn to pinpoint France on a map of the world, highlight French cities, talk about other countries where French is spoken. Pupils will also learn to say their name and how they are feeling in French and count to ten.

Music

In music this half term the children will be focusing on the song the, 'Let Your Spirit Fly' which is an R&B song written for children.

PE

This half term the children will complete the units: Outdoor and Adventurous Activities and Personal, Co-ordination and Balance Skills.