

Geography

Our cross curricular lessons enable us to merge Geography skills with our other topic lessons to further develop our long term memory. This term we shall be embracing our map reading skills to discover how our Earth looks from all angles. We shall be looking at a range of natural disasters, as well as how and why they happen in different places around the world. Furthermore, we will be investigating many rivers, mountains, volcanoes, earthquakes and the water cycle to deepen our understanding of physical geography and our ability to communicate geographically. We will have discussions about recent bushfires, earthquakes and volcano eruptions around the world.

Children will be using technology to conduct additional research into different places around the world and their unique physical and human characteristics. They will explore various web sites, such as:

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/subjects/zbkw2hv>

Computing: We will be learning about safety in the digital world. How to safely communicate with friends and why it is important to keep personal information private.

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/cbbc/findoutmore/help-me-out-staying-safe-online>

<http://www.safetynetkids.org.uk/personal-safety/staying-safe-online/>

Children will also be using the computer programming system Scratch to create their very own computer games, which they will review with their friends!

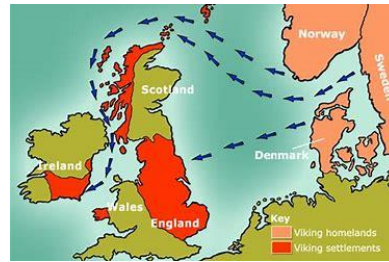
Science: Everyday Materials and Earth and Beyond.

This half term we are studying everyday materials and we shall be investigating and testing variables when classifying materials and their properties. We shall also explore the suitability of materials for the job in which they are intended, learning how to categorise materials according to their uses.

Earth and beyond: Next half term, we will be learning about the solar system and where we sit in comparison to all other planets.

You can support your child in researching these topics by googling BBC bitesize KS2 Science.

How Extreme Is Our Earth?



Art and Design Technology

During this term, we will be studying famous artists, such as Da Vinci, Goldsworthy and Turner.



Events

Inspire Workshops – Y5 (5AJ) 28th January 9am

Y6 (6AJ) 11th February 9am

Parent's Evenings: Y6 SATS meeting 13th February after school

Parents' Evening 31st March 3-5pm and 1st April

4-7pm

Class Assemblies: Y5 (5AJ) class assembly 2.30pm 1st April

PSHE Themes

We shall be exploring the difference and similarities between people from different cultures and the importance of respecting the rights of all children.

We shall also explore:

Feelings, emotions and healthy relationships and how diet and exercise can impact on our mental and physical well-being.

RE: We will be studying Christianity this half term and we shall become more familiar with religious vocabulary exploring meaning and symbolism.

We shall explore Christian religious rituals and ceremonies and reflect on the importance of faith within all religions.