

English

During this topic, we will be using the Talk for Write approach to build on our story writing skills using two beautiful picturebooks, 'Naughty Bus' by Jan Oke, and 'Journey' by Aaron Becker. We will use the Talk for Write approach to story map, and build our vocabulary and confidence in the structure of the text type, before 'inventing' our own versions of the texts. We will look at settings; how authors use these to create atmosphere in the story, and create setting descriptions of our own. Spelling, punctuation and grammar (SPaG) is an integral part of our curriculum and SPaG is taught both 'discreetly' for older children and within English lessons to support learning of text types.

History – Travel and Transport

This unit focusses on the development of travel and transport throughout history. Children will develop their understanding of chronology by making timelines and comparisons of old and new transport types. We will look at significant individuals that have made an impact on the industry such as George Stevenson and the Wright brothers. We will consider the ways in which developments of travel and transport have had an impact on people's lives and think about the future.

PE - Games

Children will master basic movements including running, jumping, throwing and catching, as well as developing balance, agility and co-ordination, and begin to apply these in a range of activities. Children will participate in team games, developing simple tactics for attacking and defending. They will learn about what happens to their body when they exercise and the importance of exercise.

Design and Technology

Pirate Paddy's packed lunch problems. During this topic we will be evaluating products, looking at problems and positives, drawing designs, building strong structures, testing their product and suggesting improvements.

Once the children have gone through this process they will use and apply their design knowledge and skills to produce a topic related product!

Catkins Class (KS1) Spring 2 Term Topic Web

Great Escapes and Escapades! **Wheels and Wings!**

PSHE – Wellbeing and Mental Health

In light of the recent lockdown, we will be adapting our PSHE curriculum to ensure we are responding to what the children need on a daily and weekly basis. We will do this, both in and out of the classroom through circle times, group discussions and through work set.

RE - Christianity

This half term we are considering the question '*What are the best symbols of Jesus' death and resurrection at Easter?*'

Children will begin the unit by looking at symbols that help people remember important events or people. We will then look at the Easter story; and talk about what they think of when they think of Easter, and what symbols remind us of Jesus' death. Children will be introduced to the idea of 'resurrection' and what that means in terms of the Easter story.

Maths

Year 1

Measurement: Length and Height
Measurement Weight and Volume

Year 2

Geometry: Properties of Shape
Number: Fractions

Science

Changing Materials

We are continuing from the previous topic materials and thinking about how they change focusing on investigating the questions below:

- How can the shape of solid objects be changed?
- Which material is the stretchiest?
- Which materials are absorbent?
- What is the difference between raw and synthetic materials?
- Why do we change materials?

Computing

This half term we will be continuing our use of Google Classroom in and out of the classroom. We will support the children in developing their independent typing skills; by creating word documents and editing and improving their work.