

Andrews' Endowed Year 4 Topic



Overview Spring Term 2020

History of Medicines

We will be learning about how medicines have changed over different time periods, which will give the children the opportunity to compare medical practices.

The children will be thinking about different questions such as:

Can children describe any aspects which influenced the Roman view of health and medicine?

English

In English this half term, we will be focusing on the novel 'The Wild Robot'. The children will be exploring how to write their own version of a narrative and thinking about character's points of view. They will be focusing on the progressive tense, the use of parenthesis and the use of relative clause.

English

In Spring 2, we will be focusing on the book 'Pebble in my Pocket: A History of Our Earth' – Meredith Hooper and Chris Coady. The children will be exploring how to write an information page using formal tone and register.

Physical Geography – Biomes and veg belts

We will be learning about Hampshire and thinking about the amenities and facilities that Holybourne and Alton has got. The children will be using map skills to read OS maps. The children will be thinking about the following questions: What makes a city a city? When does a town turn into a city? Or a village into a town? What is the difference between Winchester and Basingstoke? Why would people come to Hampshire? Is Holybourne/Alton a good place to live?

'Doctor Doctor' Spring 1

DT – Food Tech

Research, plan and make a healthy food café, which serves soup and a muffin.

Art

Self portrait using different facial expressions.
Artist focus on Francis Bacon.

Computing

We will be making our own radio programme using Audacity.

Computing

We will be using Hour of Code to focus our programming skills.

'Hampshire' Spring 2

Art

This half term we will explore the landscape around Holybourne and Alton to create silk paintings.

PE

Netball
(Spring 1)

Dance

(Spring 1)

Gym

(Spring 2)

Tennis

(Spring 2)

Volleyball

RE

Devotion – Hindu Worship.

Mahashivratri or Great Night of Shiva is a night dedicated to the god Shiva. We will be exploring this festival amongst others and discovering what 'devotion' means in a Hindu context.

Salvation – Why do Christians call the day Jesus dies 'Good Friday'?

Music

Building a Beat

Around the world – Focusing on pitch

French - We will be creating a French phrase book that focuses on the healthy food café.

PSHE + Citizenship

Spring 1 How can we manage our money?

Spring 2 What choices help health?

Science

Spring 1 Teeth and Digestion

To identify and name parts of the human digestive system.

Spring 2 Living things and habitats – Helping Our Habitats.

Maths

Children will be expected to know all of their times tables up to 12x12 and to apply this knowledge to questions. Their understanding of place value moves to the thousands column which should allow them to compare and round numbers, to add 1000 to any number and to use columns to add or subtract four-digit numbers. At this stage, children get familiar with Roman Numerals and can interpret them accurately. They also multiply two or three-digit numbers by single digits. The understanding of fractions and their link to decimals deepens at this stage as they start to see 'families' of equivalent fractions and understand how to convert any number of tenths or hundredths into a decimal. Children continue to develop their fluency with time and can convert between digital and analogue clocks and from hours to minutes to seconds.