

Year 3/4 Summer A

The Great Outdoors

Literacy

The children will use information books and their comprehension skills to find out about rock pools.

The children will read the stories 'The Flower' and 'The Tin Forest' and use the pictures and the words to infer meaning and make predictions. They will use the pictures to help to develop their descriptions of settings. The children will think of questions that they would ask the characters in the stories and write their own endings.

The children will write a balanced argument report on whether plastic should be banned. They will learn how to research and present each point of view.

Science

We will begin this topic with a trip to St Mary's Island which we will use to support our Science work about habitats. The children will learn what a habitat is and they will consider which animals can be found in different habitats. They will consider how animals are adapted to their habitat. The children will learn how animals can be grouped by their characteristics. They will consider the food chain for a chosen habitat and discuss how changes to a habitat can affect the creatures which live there.

PE

The children will take part in netball activities - Chestnut Class will be led by Mrs Robson. Y3 and Chestnut Class will develop their athletic skills. Oak and Poplar Y4 children will have swimming lessons.

Geography

The children will be involved in activities related to the habitats we are discussing. They will be involved in some mapping activities and they will consider how the actions of humans can change a habitat. The children will take the role of a character to debate a local issue related to habitats. They will consider how people use the outdoors for both work and leisure activities and relate this to our trips.

Music

The children will learn how to play the notes B A G on the recorder and will incorporate a rest. They will use this knowledge to play simple tunes. Year Three will continue with their brass lessons.

French

The children will learn French vocabulary related to the classroom. They will learn how to name classroom objects and the names of different subjects. They will learn how to respond to commands given in French.

Art

The children will look at sketches by various artists. They will explore different sketching techniques and how they can use shading to create effects. The children will then use sketching and watercolour techniques to create a piece of rock pool art.

ICT

The children will learn about the purpose of a branching database and how this can be used to help us with our science work. The children will explore a range of databases and then they will produce their own database related to animals.

RE

The children will learn about Buddhism. They will find out Buddha and his life. They will learn about the Four Noble Truths and the Eight Fold path which are part of the religion. They will consider what is meant by 'Enlightenment'

PSHE

The children will discuss wanted and unwanted touch by exploring stories and focussing on the NSPCC PANTS lessons. They will consider how their responsibilities change as they get older eg coming straight home when they are given the independence to walk home. The children will discuss 'pride' and how we can be proud of ourselves while still thinking of the feelings of others. The children will learn about dealing with conflict within their peer group.

Special Events

St Mary's Island trip Thursday 28th or Friday 29th April.