

Geography

In this unit, the children will explore the local area of the North Wessex Downs. They will develop their map-reading skills, including the use of compasses and four-figure grid references, and learn about the counties and landmarks within the area. Through this exploration, children will reach their own conclusions about why the North Wessex Downs is classified as an Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty.

English

In writing, children will be using 'The Barnabus Project' by The Fan Brothers to develop the skills needed to write a successful narrative chapter alongside opportunities to write a setting description using this text as a stimulus. In reading, the children will be exploring a text called 'Young, Gifted and Black' by Jamia Wilson which includes various text types such as biographies, poetry, lyrics and articles.

Personal Social and Health Education

Children will learn what it means to live in a community and to value the different contributions made by individuals and groups.

My Happy Mind – Relate

This half term we will be teaching the children the importance of being able to relate to and get along with others in order to have positive relationships.

Religious Education – Concept: Freedom

Children will explore the idea of freedom and what it means to them. They will find out how freedom is important in Judaism and how it is expressed in Jewish traditions.

Science

In this unit, children will learn that plants make their own food rather than eating it. They will explore how plants use water from the soil, carbon dioxide from the air, and light from the sun to produce food for growth. Pupils will also learn that plants release oxygen back into the air through their leaves.

Music

In this half term's music unit, children will learn the basics of musical notation and how music is written and represented. They will explore staves, clefs, and different time signatures, and develop rhythmic skills by copying and creating patterns using crotchets, minims, and quavers.

Design Technology - Textiles

This half term, children will learn how to design and create a textile product for a specific purpose. Pupils will practise joining textiles using appropriate stitching techniques and select effective methods to join and decorate their work.

Physical Education

Gymnastics. The children will develop an increased range of body actions and shapes to include in a sequence.

Outdoor and Adventurous Activities

The children will focus on working well withing a team using different roles. They will plan and refine strategies to solve problems, use maps, compasses and symbols and reflect upon this process.

Why is the North Wessex Downs an area of outstanding beauty?

Maths

Year 3: Children will develop their understanding of place value and addition and subtraction with 3-digit numbers. They will use mental strategies, practical resources, and diagrams to check their answers and solve problems, including real-life contexts such as money and measurement.

Year 4: Children will deepen their understanding of time, multiplication and division, and fractions. They will apply these skills through practical activities, reasoning challenges, and mental strategies, using a range of representations to check their answers and solve problems in real-life contexts.

French

In this unit pupils will learn 10 common vegetables in their plural form with their definite articles. They will learn the basic transactional language required take part in a role-play activity based on buying different quantities of vegetables from a market stall.

Computing

In computing lessons, children will develop their coding skills by creating algorithms and programs using a coding app. Through puzzle-based activities, they will practise computational problem-solving by programming a virtual robot to move around a tiled world.