

Courtney Primary - Topic Sheet- Where in the world?

Term 1 – Year 3 – Miss Ford

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What is this topic sheet for?

This sheet shows you the topics your child is covering this term and gives you ideas and ways you can help your child at home. The library is always a good starting point and the internet has many great sites. If you visit www.courtneyprimaryschool.co.uk and click on the 'Links' section, you will find useful websites listed there.

English

Our class text will be: The Green Ship by Quentin Blake



We will start the year by focusing on predictions with the children using their imagination to think about what might happen next in the story and what the characters may discover.

We will be following the character's journey around the world. Our writing opportunities will be: writing diary entries and letters from around the world.

We will learn the following skills to enrich our writing: using commas in lists, using expanded noun phrases, character descriptions, using a mixture of simple and compound sentences and using apostrophes for possession.

We will also be working on our dictionary skills to encourage the children's spelling skills and independence in class.

Maths

In Maths this term we will be covering the following skills:

Place value

- Identify, represent and estimate numbers using different representations.
- Find 10 or 100 more or less than a given number
- Recognise the place value of each digit in a three-digit number (hundreds, tens, ones).
- Compare and order numbers up to 1000
- Read and write numbers up to 1000 in numerals and in words.
- Count from 0 in multiples of 4, 8, 50 and 100

Addition and Subtraction

- Add and subtract numbers mentally, including: a three-digit number and ones; a three-digit number and tens; a three digit number and hundreds.
- Add and subtract numbers with up to three digits, using formal written methods of column addition and subtraction.
- Estimate the answer to a calculation and use inverse operations to check answers.
- Solve problems, including missing number problems, using number facts, place value, and more complex addition and subtraction.



Computing



We will be looking at Online Safety in Term 1.

We will learn how to:

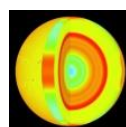
- Stay safe online and who to talk to if there is a problem.
- Protect our personal information.
- Act if someone is unkind to them online and the consequences that online behaviour can have.
- Understand the difference between communicating in person and online.



Geography

As we are following Mrs Tredegar and the children's journey around the world, we will learn about each place they stopped at or travelled through. These places include: Italy, Egypt, the Arctic and the Southern Ocean.

We will study the geography of the countries, comparing it to our local area. We will identify key features of the country including locating various areas on the map, using compass directions and grid references.



Science

Our focus in science is Rocks and Soils.

We will be learning:

- About the different types of rocks
- Grouping rocks
- All about fossils
- Soil Formation
- Soil Permeability

The children will also be learning about Mary Anning who was a fossil collector. Famous scientists came to visit her to see the fossils that she'd found.



RE

Key question:

What does it mean to be a Hindu in Britain today?

This investigation enables pupils to learn about key aspects of Hindu belief and worship. What we call 'Hinduism' is the diverse way of life, spiritual practices and beliefs of the Indian people. We are focussing on British Hindus, and there is great diversity in British Hinduism as well as the original Indian Hinduism.

We will also think about being a Hindu in Britain today.



Art and DT

The children will be studying the landscapes of certain places visited by the characters during their journey. We will study how famous landscape artists created scenes in different mediums. In DT, the children will experiment and taste food from the places which the characters visited on their journey.



PE

During P.E this term, we will be following Unit 1 from Real PE. We will be taught two PE sessions a week, one with Miss Ford on a Friday and one with Mr Smith during PPA cover on a Tuesday. Our foci for the term are: Personal Skills; With a physical focus on Coordination: Floor Movement Patterns. We will develop both to create a gymnastic sequence. Please ensure your child has their PE kit in school, with earrings removed on the days of PE.

