

Curriculum Information for Parents

Croft Class

Summer 2022



### Literacy

As Authors we will be writing to entertain. We will be exploring the text 'Hansel and Gretel' a picture book by the Author Neil Gaiman. We will be learning how to enrich our vocabulary and make strong Authorial choices so that we can conjure up tastes and smell for our readers. In addition, we will be learning to include the use of similes, semi colons, inverted commas and repetition for effect. We will be using our DERIC skills to answer questions related to a variety of texts to widen our understanding of different types of writing.

### History

As Historians, we will be learning about the Ancient Greeks. We will look at who they were and what they liked. We will discover their beliefs and religion and how they invented democracy to govern their country. Looking at Greek culture we will examine their love of theatre and the birth of the Olympic games.

### Mathematics

As Mathematicians, we will be building on our understanding of the four operations to explore decimals. We will consolidate our knowledge of place value to learn about decimal places and their equivalence in fractions and percentages. We learn how to add and subtract decimals with the same decimal places and across the whole, then apply these to real world contexts, using our reasoning to become problem solvers. We will end the term learning about volume and capacity, making comparisons and finding out how to estimate different amounts.

### Science

As Scientists, we will be learning about Evolution. We will Learn that Charles Darwin was the first scientist to coin the term evolution. We will discover that it is the product of the effect of genetic inheritance due to 'survival of the fittest' and how environment has played a factor in shaping mutations within species. We will also learn that another scientist Alfred Wallace, claimed to be the first to discover evolution.



### Religious Education

As Philosophers, we will be learning about 'What would Jesus do?'. Looking at how Christians base their lives on the values of forgiveness following the example of Jesus forgiving Peter for his betrayal. We will look at how we can incorporate this value into our own lives.

### Geography

As Geographers, we will be learning about Greece. We will explore the physical geography including its mountain ranges, climate and why it is susceptible to earthquakes. Greece's human geography will be examined, investigating why it is a popular tourist destination, including what it is like to live in a Greek city or village and what kind of foods the Greek people enjoy.

## Art

As Artists, we will be examining the work of Paul Klee, how his life influenced his work and his use of shape and colour in his paintings. We will be making comparisons with other artistic styles of the time including abstract art and surrealism. Then we will discover what other artist at the time were painting and how their work was similar and different to that of Paul Klee. We will do this by looking at the artists Pablo Picasso and Georges Braque.

## DT

As Designers, we will research, design, plan, cook and evaluate a product brief of making a pizza for a class picnic. We will explore ingredients that we could include in our recipe and consider dietary needs, seasonality, and use of chemicals in farming.

## Physical Education

This term we are fortunate to have Miss Worden from Spires College return to teach Athletics. We will focus on a range of running, throwing and jumping techniques. Breaking down each skill into small steps so that we can learn how to maximise performance and do safely. We will be practising these skills in the context of Sprinting, Javelin, shot put, long jump and high jump. By the end we will have exciting opportunity to show off these skills on Sports Day.

## Modern Foreign Languages

As linguists, we will be developing a love of languages to encourage students to become curious and interested in the world. Using authentic texts we will embed the skills of listening, speaking, reading and writing in French. This term will be focussed on continuing with sounds already learnt and how to describe the weather and clothes.



## Music

As musicians, using the piece 'Blackbird' by the Beatles. We will learn about singing and vocal health. Continue to learn about working in a group/band/ensemble. In addition, we will continue to build on our listening skills to appraise this and other pieces of music such as Hip Hop, Classical and Bossa Nova to recognise styles, find the pulse, and recognise instruments.