

Literacy

Throughout the Spring term, Year 4 Literacy will be related to 'The Iron Man' and 'The Iron Woman' by Ted Hughes. This Literacy unit will allow the children to write using different structures and text types such as: narratives, instructions, diary entries and newspaper reports. The texts that the children write will be heavily linked to SMSC. During this term, there will be a big focus on handwriting, punctuation, grammar and spelling.

Music

Children will learn a song using Charanga.

Children will compose music to create a sound scape to accompany the text The Iron Man. These will be recorded and support the children's ICT work.

PE Indoor

Children will develop their knowledge of dance through the discussion of choreography skills and their effect. Children will apply this to create dance linked with The Iron Man and stories with moral dilemmas.

Outdoor PE:

Children will learn a range of skills to play the outdoor team games- Hockey and Netball. They will have the opportunity to apply these in competitive games.

French

Children will learn and recite nursery rhymes in French and English.

Numeracy

During this term, pupils will begin to refine and develop their mathematical skills using the four operations and place value. They will begin to apply these skills in problem solving scenarios to appreciate the 'real-life' context that mathematics works with.

ICT

Pupils will continue to learn about online safety in a variety of contexts.

They will learn how to apply and control sound in various applications and discuss the effect sound can have in a production/presentation.



Parent Topic Web – Summary of context for the term

Big Question: Does everyone deserve a second chance?

Outcome 1: To achieve the Eco Ward for School

Outcome 2: To make a 3D Model with a pneumatic moving part.

Humanities

As geographers this term, children are going to be using maps, atlases and computer mapping to locate countries and describe their features. They will use their learning to describe differences and similarities between countries and pose questions about their human and physical features.

DT

Linking with 'The Iron Man', children will be working towards making a 3D junk model. To do this, children will learn to choose and measure materials accurately and they will be taught cutting and joining techniques for different materials. This will allow them to design, make and evaluate their own model successfully.

Recommended Reading

Pebble in my Pocket- Meredith Hooper

Dear Greenpeace- Simon James

Why the Whales Came- Michael Morpurgo

RE/SMSC

The children will be learning to understand their own and other values. They will consider how people's beliefs about right and wrong affect people's behaviour. They will read, discuss and give opinions on stories with moral dilemmas.

PSHCE

In the Spring term, children will learn about the foods that people may eat or avoid. They will consider the reasons for these choices such as ethics and religion. The children will also learn about the importance of getting enough sleep when considering our physical and mental health.

Science

Children will learn to work scientifically carrying out investigations that allow them to ask questions, perform simple tests, observe and gather and record information. They will learn about magnets and forces, including accurate scientific vocabulary, through investigation. They will learn about the different types of rocks, how they are formed and their individual properties as well as how fossils are formed.