



ALL SAINTS C.E. PRIMARY SCHOOL

CURRICULUM TOPIC WEB FOR PARENTS AUTUMN TERM 1



History

During our topic the children will learn about Ancient Greece.

Could you live in Ancient Greece?

During this topic the children will be able to identify Greece on a world map, know the names of some of the major Greek gods and what the Greeks believed they were the gods for. They will gain a greater understanding about the culture and way of life of Ancient Greece and how it is different to modern day Greece. Also they will be able to name the types of particular Ancient Greek buildings such as acropolis, temple, Parthenon, amphitheatre etc.

Design Technology

Our Design Technology lessons will be closely linked to our Creative Curriculum topic.

The children will:

- To be able to design, create and evaluate a labyrinth.
- To be able to design, create and evaluate a reproduction of the Parthenon.

PE

During this term the children will be developing a dance routine and be learning the skill of fencing.

RE The children will understand why Christians believe God is holy and loving. They will:

- Explore what Christians believe about God, using a selection of Bible texts, e.g. Psalm 103 (a prayer of King David); Isaiah 6:1–5 etc.
- Listen to some Christian worship songs, both traditional and contemporary. Find some that talk about God and look closely to work out how much they emphasise the idea of God's holiness and/or love.
- Study medieval cathedrals built by Christians 'to the glory of God'. Talk about what kind of God cathedrals suggest the builders had in mind. Investigate how different parts of cathedrals express ideas about God as holy and loving, connecting with the ideas about God learned earlier in the unit.

English

Throughout the Autumn Term the children will have an opportunity to study a wide variety of exciting fiction and non-fiction. We will examine a selection of books written and illustrated by Michael Foreman e.g. War Game etc. During these sessions we will examine Michael Foreman's style of writing and then the children will apply this style when writing their own stories. We will also examine the text One Boys War. In order to fully understand the narrative and the perceptions of the book's key characters we will explore and create links to the broader subject of the Great War and life in the trenches, taking opportunities to encounter different genres of reading and writing that link to the text.

Finally we will examine the book, The Adventures of Odysseus written by Hugh Luton. This links closely to our Creative Curriculum and enables the children to develop their skills as storytellers. Also it will enable the children to create a context and acquire a deeper knowledge and wider appreciation of the subject matter, whilst tackling a text that offers many options to enhance and develop reading and writing. In addition to helping understand the context, the actions, thoughts and feelings of the characters in the text, connections and links can be then made between the story and the context of a real life event.

Mathematics

The children will complete a variety of activities associated with place value. These include ordering numbers up to one million, multiplying numbers by multiples of 10 and comparing decimal numbers. Also during the term the children will develop mental strategies when adding and subtracting five digit numbers. This will then be followed by a sequence of lessons associated with column addition/subtraction. These will be closely linked to problems and investigations.

Computing

During computing the children will develop a wide range of skills that they will apply throughout the curriculum. These will include:

- To be able to use ICT to write a newspaper article.
- To be able to use PowerPoint to create a multiple choice quiz on ancient Greece.
- To be able to use ICT to retell Aesop's fables.

Music

The children will develop their ability to play their clarinet through their music lessons taught by a music specialist.

Science

Our topic of forces will enable children to develop an understanding of what is around them. *During this topic the children will identify forces as pushes and pulls, explain gravity as a force that pulls objects down and identify Isaac Newton's discoveries. They will also explain the effects of friction, including air and water resistance, on moving objects. This will be done through a variety of investigations where different variables will be changed.*

Art – During the Creative Curriculum the children will:

- To be able to design, create and evaluate comedy and tragedy masks.
- To be able to decorate a pot in the style of ancient Greek pottery.
- To be able to create a soap sculpture in the style of Ancient Greek statues.

PHSE – Being Me in My World

The children will use the Jigsaw scheme, which is a mindful approach to PHSE and will examine key topic through discussion.