



Class Ocean Curriculum Summary

Autumn 2023-2024

Our topic this term is:
All Roads Lead to Rome

Our value this term is:
Truthfulness

English:

This term we will be finishing off our instructional writing and then moving on to writing persuasively. To end the term, we will be writing our own narrative poetry based on The Spider and The Fly.

Our guided reading book for this term will be Holes by Louis Sachar. We will be using this book to retrieve and infer information. We will also be using this text in our persuasive writing unit of work.

Curriculum spelling rules and key words will be taught each week. Spellings taught each week will be sent home with homework for revision. Spelling rules and key words are assessed regularly so please keep practising – and, where possible, revising!

Mathematics:

In maths, we will be exploring equivalent fractions, decimals and percentages. We will then be looking at calculating, including methods of mental calculation, long multiplication and solving problems involving multiple steps.

Towards the end of the term, we will be learning how to add fractions to begin our calculating fractions unit of work.

In addition to our daily maths lessons, we will be taking part in 99 club each week and showing off our maths skills in our ninja maths sessions at least three times per week.

RE:

We will be finding out why some people believe in God and why others don't.

RSHE:

We will be thinking about our comfort zones and what makes us feel safe.

Topic:

In the second half of this topic, we will be creating an independent project about life in the Roman army. We will find out about the Celtic attitudes towards the Roman invaders and we will be examining and evaluating the impact that the Romans had in Gloucester and England as a whole, along with the legacy that they left behind.

PE:

This term, we will be practicing our tag rugby skills with Mr Wilkins on Mondays and improving our netball skills with Mrs Hulse on Tuesdays.

Computing:

This term we are learning about 3D modelling using a program called Tinkercad. Children will bring their logins home once the basic techniques have been explored in school.

French:

This term the children will be learning the months of the year in French as well as how to tell someone out birthdays!

Homework:

The children are expected to take part in the reading challenge, earning a sticker for every night of reading.

During the first week, the children will be completing their Isle of Wight Project which will be presented on 10th November.

Homework in class Ocean is given on a Friday and due in on the following Thursday.

Science:

This term, we will be looking at the properties of materials, thinking about how filtering can have an impact on our lives and the lives of others. We will then be designing and testing our own filters. Then we will think about changes to materials and how some changes can be reversed while others cannot. We will learn about the impact of other scientists on our lives in relation to materials.

Art & Design Technology:

Art

This term we will be exploring realistic drawing and sketching techniques with a focus on light and shade. We will also be creating Roman inspired mosaics.

DT

We will be completing our moving fairground models by programming and attaching crumble electrics to make them move!

Other:

This will be a very busy term for the children of Ocean. We will be taking part in lots of exciting activities as well as settling into our new responsibilities. We will be:

- Completing our Bikeability course (for those who haven't done so already)
- Showing our value of respect during Remembrance Day.
- Presenting our Isle of Wight Projects (10th November).
- Taking responsibility for caring for our guinea pigs: Jellybean and Snickers
- Practicing and performing our Christmas play.