

English

This half term we are continuing to study Awesome Authors and Perfect Poets.

We will continue to write our stories for publication. We will also create our one paragraph challenge! We will work through the alphabetically, each writing a paragraph for a story with the plot agreed by the class.

This half term there will be more focus on poetry. It is Shakespeare week on the 14th March 2016 and we will be studying some of his sonnets. We are going to analyse his works and see how they have inspired modern media. Porthcurno Class are also going to be having a go at writing our own sonnets and I am going to share my favourite poem with the class: The Jabberwocky!

This half term World Book Day takes place when we plan to dress as our favourite book characters. The class will also be set several book challenges, including: 'How many books can be read in a week?' We will also see how many of the top 100 books children should read before the end of primary school as recommended by the TES.

With the up-coming SATs we will also be working hard at perfecting our punctuation and grammar.

Maths

See Abacus for more detailed planning.

We are going to use school data to produce our own data. The iPads will help us input data and create graphs and charts.

This half term we will be looking at shapes. We will be learning about the properties of 2D and 3D shapes, we will look at different nets and create some 3D objects of our own using them. We plan to learn about circles and find out how to work out the area and circumference and area using the radius and diameter.

We will also be priming ourselves for the SATs and thinking about what we need to revise.

Science

Living things and their habitats.

We will begin the topic by looking at classification and how Carl Linnaeus classified living things (including unicorns and dragons!).

We will then go on to look at micro-organisms and different species of butterflies, birds and plants.

PSHE/RE

Before Easter we will be learning about the meaning of Easter and hope to have talks from Rev. Vanda and Rev. Harry.

With E-safety day this term it gives a perfect opportunity to discuss the internet and how it can both be a great tool as well as a dangerous one. We will carry out an experiment using social media and discuss how we would react in different scenarios.

We will also cover issues such as plagiarism and copyright.

Porthcurno Class (Year 6)

Mid-term Planning

Spring 2

2016

Humanities

Each child is working with a partner and doing research about a given country. Over the half term they will start off by gathering facts they may already know about the country, and over the weeks they will add to this knowledge. We will use a range of non-fiction books and iPads to help us with our research. Our research will culminate in a final project, which the children will present in their own style and choosing. For example, we have discussed the possibilities of making a Keynote presentation, iMovie documentary, booklets and leaflets, posters and models.

Geography

Children will research a range of geography information of their choosing. They may wish to find population trends of their country and investigate why the population may change. They may wish to study climate and see how that may affect the animals that live there. They may wish to look at mountain ranges, forests or anything else.

History

Again, children will look at different historical events which have occurred in their country of study. After collecting several significant events, they will then choose one to study in depth to form part of their presentation.

PE

Dance remains on Thursday and swimming will still take place on Fridays.

PE/Games lessons will now be taught in a single year group by Miss Rowe.

We will explore team games and tactics as well as our own body movements and balances in gymnastics.

Art/DT

To tie in with our Awesome Authors topic we will be creating landscapes of our favourite book settings using a range of media including: charcoal, paints, watercolours, pastels and even some things from our natural environment like mud and soil.

Designing a t-shirt: we are going to choose our favourite stories and create a t-shirt in homage to them, which may help more people may choose to read them.

On the front will be our own version of the book front cover, and on the back will be a review or blurb written by ourselves.

Other learning opportunities

This term we also have the opportunity to carry on with the Bikeability scheme, giving the children more Physical Education opportunities.

We hope to organise a visit to Nanquidno farm for creative writing opportunities and to revisit our ancient civilisation work from previous years.

We have book week in March when we plan to organise reading groups with other year groups.

Closer to Easter we hope to take part in an 'Easter Church Experience' at the church.

There are, once again, sporting fixtures in hockey, High 5s and cross country.

This term we will also be experimenting with iBooks. I have created an iBook for both literacy and numeracy week by week. This has allowed children to have a constant reminder in front of them of the lesson's objectives and expectations. It also has helpful hyperlinks to websites, work and games which has allowed children to take a more independent line of enquiry in their own work and has allowed them to differentiate their work and outcomes whilst all making progress achieving objectives.