



Talk for Reading

In our Talk for Reading lessons, we will be reading 'The Invention of Hugo Cabret' a historical fiction book written by Brian Selznick. It is a story about a boy who lives in the walls of a Paris train station in 1931 and his adventures involving a mysterious automaton and the early days of filmmaking. The children will be learning how to explore a character's motivation using a range of comprehension skills to construct meaning from an image and text.

How can I support at home?

Read books with setting and character descriptions, and discuss with your child what images comes to mind. Ask questions regarding the author's language choices and any emotions they feel. You could further question your child to explain character behaviors making sure they are referring back to the text they have read. Similar books: Sidewalk flowers and Wave- Share similar themes and layout.

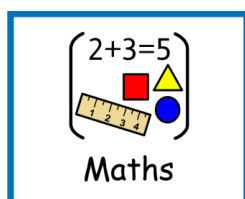


Talk for Writing

In Talk for Writing, children will be writing their own suspense story with a chasing/ hiding plot which will be based on our model text: The Library. In lessons, children will need to use a variety of conjunctions in order to create a dramatic effect; such as At that moment; All at once; Suddenly.

How can I support at home?

To support at home, get your child to focus on describing a setting that evokes feelings of fear, unease, and dread before revealing a threat. Challenge your child to use a range of questions to create an unknown, creepy atmosphere and suggest mystery.



Maths

This half term we will be developing and securing our understanding of place value by reading, writing, ordering, comparing and rounding numbers up to 10,000,000. The children will also be securing their understanding of division and developing their long and short division knowledge/method.

How can I support at home?

In school we use White Rose to support our learning. Every lesson comes with a short video accessible by parents that show clear and simple steps how to help your child complete the activities. For parent videos on our Maths methods, please click here, [please click here](#)



Geography

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Our topic is South America: The Amazon. The children will consider the key physical and human characteristics and environmental regions of South America. Children will also describe what the climate of the region is and how plants and animals have adapted to it as well as evaluating what life is like in the Amazon.



Computing

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Year 6 will be developing their digital literacy skills in our communication and collaboration unit. Children will explore how data is transferred over the internet as well as how the internet facilitates online communication and collaboration; they will complete a shared projects online and evaluate different methods of communication. Finally, they learn how to communicate responsibly by considering what should and should not be shared on the internet.



Science

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Our science unit is Animals, including Humans, where the children will be identifying and naming the main parts of the human circulatory system, and describe the functions of the heart, blood vessels and blood. We have a very interesting practical lesson to get all children involved in their learning.



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Religious Education

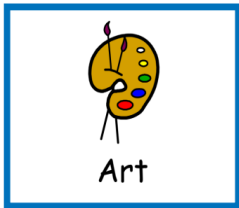
In our upcoming lessons, children will embark on a fascinating journey to explore where the Abrahamic religions began. They'll investigate how factors like culture, traditions, migration, and different interpretations have shaped the way these faiths are practiced around the world today. By comparing these origins and influences, students will gain a deeper understanding of both the similarities and unique qualities of each religion..



PE

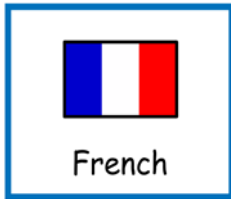
PE

During our sports lessons this half term, children will be developing their netball and touch rugby skills. Children will use their strength, balance, coordination and fundamental movement skills to perform.



Art

Children will be creating a self portrait using photography. By the end of the topic children should be able to take a clear, refined photograph, use editing tools to manipulate photograph to create an effect and draw a detailed self-portrait from a photograph.



French

Notre école- Our school. Children will be showing their understanding of key vocabulary with a physical response. They will be demonstrating their understanding of new words by matching labels to pictures using a range of language detective skills.



PSHE

My healthy self. How do my choices today shape my future health? Pupils will learn to support their physical and mental well-being by choosing healthy foods, caring for their teeth, and managing strong emotions. They will also build resilience using a growth mindset and understand how to foster positive, supportive relationships.

Upcoming Dates

Wed – 3.4.24 – Test Date

Additional Information

For more year group information, please visit the class pages on our website.

<https://www.portfieldsprimaryschool.org/children/class-pages>