



Class 3

Local History



English

This term, we will be reading 'Street Child' by Bertie Doherty, developing our reading skills, focusing on a specific daily 'lens' to 'dig deeper' and answer questions. Children will continue to complete one longer comprehension activity each week.

We will use the vehicle text 'Street Child' as the focus for our writing, beginning the term writing letters and diaries. Continuing the Victorian theme, and focusing on a local figure, the children will then produce biographies of Charles Darwin. The children will finish the summer term studying poetry and play scripts.

RE

In RE this term, as part of the theme 'The Kingdom of God', we will be examining the question, 'How can following God, bring freedom and justice?' We will then move onto the theme 'People of God' and ask the question, 'What would Jesus do?'

PSHE

In PSHE lessons, we will be focusing on Healthy Living, thinking about the foods that we eat and what we can do to keep ourselves physically healthy.

Cultural/Global Links

As part of our work on the Victorians, we will be thinking about the issue of pollution and the impact that it has on the environment around us.

Physical/Mental Wellbeing

The children will continue to access 'Calm Brain' in the classroom as part of our approach to mental wellbeing. They will have two outdoor sessions each week of either PE or Commando Joe.

History/Geography

This term we will focus on our local area, tracing how several aspects of national history are reflected in our locality and looking at the impact of Victorian Britain on our local area. We will focus on historical concepts such as continuity and change, cause and consequence, similarity, difference and significance. We will study Charles Darwin, who himself was from Shrewsbury, and think about how evidence is used rigorously to make historical claims. We will also discern how and why contrasting arguments or interpretations of the past have been constructed. We will look at the history of our school and use fieldwork to observe, measure, record and present the human and physical features in the local area. We will use a range of methods, including sketch maps, plans, graphs, and digital technologies.

Art.

In the summer term, we will be studying the work of a local artist and using our art skills to produce sketches and paintings of the local area.

Forest Schools/Outdoor Learning

Forest Schools will continue to run throughout the year in our fantastic forest school area. We will also be spending time gardening in our school garden to maintain the upkeep of this special area at St Lawrence.

Maths

This term we will be consolidating our knowledge of place value and the four operations, and focusing on fractions, decimals and percentages. We will also be studying shape, angles, position and direction. Problem solving and investigations will play a central part in most Maths lessons where possible, as always. The children will also be encouraged to explain how they have calculated answers to problems to help to develop their mathematical fluency and understanding.

Science

In Science this term we will be learning about Electricity and Sound.