

St. Swithun's: Year 1/2 Curriculum Map – Spring 1. Topic: Time Travel

Major outcomes for the topic:

An exciting non-fiction re-creation on The Titanic written by the pupils of key stage one.
Making models of The Titanic and presenting them in a gallery.

English

Reading – We will be exploring non-fiction texts about The Titanic, introducing new vocabulary and exciting historical facts. We will also be identifying the features of non-fiction texts and using this to create our own success criteria for our writing.

Writing – We will be writing non-fiction texts about 'The Titanic' using what we have read to help us.

Grammar – We will be continuing to focus on using capital letters and full stops with accuracy and some of us will begin to use other punctuation, such as question marks and exclamation marks.

Speaking and Listening – We will continue to use role play to help us orally compose sentences that we can transfer into our writing. We will take turns to share our sentences aloud which will enable us to check that our sentences make sense.

Spelling – We will be continuing to use our common exception word mats to help us spell accurately. We will also be continuing with our weekly spellings and encouraging these to be used accurately when writing in the class.

Art & Design

Design & Technology

As we are learning about The Titanic, we are going to have the exciting opportunity to design, create and evaluate a ship that is similar to that of the real Titanic. We will use effective materials and add detail to our constructions.

Computing

This term we will have the opportunity to explore programming using 'BeeBots'. We will use our geographical knowledge to give the robots instructions so they can arrive at different locations on our globe related to where 'The Titanic' sailed.

Mathematics

This half term, we will begin with a quick recap of number and place value, encouraging the children to count forwards and backwards in ones, twos, threes, fives and tens. We will also be using resources and pictorial methods to identify the amount of tens and ones in a 2-digit number and use this knowledge to help us solve problems.

We will then use our knowledge of addition and subtraction to begin to understand multiplication and division using arrays, repeated addition and repeated subtraction. Some of us will move on to recalling and using our multiplication and division facts for the 2, 5 and 10 times tables and using these to help us solve other problems.

Geography

Music

We will be listening to and learning about examples of music through history and singing some songs about important people through the ages. Our vocal skills will be further developed as we learn the repertoire for the Infant Voices Festival which some of the Year 2s will attend this term.

Science

This term we will be linking science to our topic about The Titanic. We will explore a variety of materials to design and make a boat that will float and carry cargo. We will be working in groups, sharing ideas and making predictions about how effective our boats will be.

History

Our history focus will be about The Titanic, which will be closely linked to our literacy lessons where we will have the opportunity to research facts about the events that took place. We will discuss real life stories and gather information about what happened on the fateful day when this magnificent ship sailed its first and last voyage.

Modern Languages

This half-term we are learning parts of the body and a French story about a monster. We will revise colour adjectives in order to make and describe our own monsters!

Religious Education

We will have the opportunity to explore the faith 'Judaism', learning about The Torah, the Ten Commandments and the Jewish festival; Hanukkah. We will also be exploring the unit *Revelations* about how Jesus revealed God's love for each of us. We will be reading scripture of different parables and miracles from the Bible and explore what these teach us.

Physical Education

In PE we will be focusing on balance and using our knowledge of the human body to help our understanding of how our muscles support our natural balance and co-ordination. We will apply this skill in our team games and partner work.

We will also continue to complete our 'mile a day' run to encourage a healthy lifestyle.

Exciting beginnings / events/ theme days/ trips / visitors

A visit to the Titanic Museum to inspire and educate the children on the events that took place.

Text, videos, music, pictures to ensure experiences of rich and varied literary heritage

We will be gain a wide vocabulary of non-fiction texts related to The Titanic and use this to support our creative writing.

PSHE / British Values

Through all areas of the curriculum and the ethos of the school, we are developing a sense of community, respect, belief and responsibility for ourselves and others. We will continue to promote democracy by discussing relevant topics that the school identify. We will also be linking our St-Swithun's Stars to nominate appropriate Mission Heroes.