What we are learning this term in M1



English:

In our English this term we will be looking at biographies and autobiographies we will be concentrating on Roald Dahl and focusing on Charlie and The Chocolate Factory.

Spoken Language:

The pupils will be encouraged to both share and listen to information about themselves and their families' holiday experiences. We will encourage them to sit quietly and listen while the class describe each of their holiday events.

Writing:

In our lesson this term we will be looking at gramma and how to form a sentence using capital letter and full stops. Our work will be based around Charlie and The Chocolate Factory the pupils will also be creating their own fictional story.

Reading:

Each pupil will have their own reading book, we will also being reading selected pieces of text from Charlie and The Chocolate Factory. Pupils will be encouraged to use their phonics knowledge to help them decode words they don't know

<u>Maths</u>

We will be covering basic numeracy this term including addition subtraction and multiples of two five and ten. We will also incorporate maths across the curriculum both in IT and English and when out and about in the community.

Science

This Autumn during science lessons, pupils will be taught the essentials for developing a scientific method of reasoning. Tuition will involve a step by step and hands on guide to scientific methodology. This will include how to make detailed and accurate observations, how to make accurate and reliable measurements, how to evaluate the safety aspects of an investigation, and how to interpret results and draw a conclusion about an experiment. The interpretation of results has cross curricular links with numeracy in mathematics.

Pupils will then learn how to evaluate the validity of their experiment, and learn methods of ensuring that they have made a fair test. They will then be able to put into practice their knowledge by performing their own experiment, producing a practical write up. It is important for the pupils to develop these skills when moving on to studying science at a higher level.

Art and Design

This term our art will link in with our English Lessons where pupils will be encouraged to experiment. They will be using colour, texture and 3D modelling to feel comfortable around using different mediums, to create pieces of individual work that can be used as part of our Chocolate Factory.

<u>PSVE</u>

We will be focusing on friendships and being kind to each other this term. This will include looking at how we are all different and that this is ok and we will start to look at expressing our feelings in a positive and appropriate manner.

<u>RE</u>

We will be looking at different religious buildings including Synagogues Mosques and Churches and what happens when people go to worship. We will also be looking at festivals and how people celebrate them through the year.

Computing

Our focus for this academic year will be for pupils to be able to use the laptops provided by staff and for the pupils to log on independently and be able research topics that they will be working on throughout the year. Both the IPod and IPads will be used to record and to download any photographs and video's we take while completing our activities. Pupils will learn to transfer them into their own files where they will be printed or displayed.

<u>Music</u>

In music this half term, we will be practising our listening skills. This means lots of games, using our describing words and choosing music that interests us. We will also be learning some new songs to sing along to, and making our own soundscape!

<u>PE</u>

This term pupils will continue to work on teamwork and sportsmanship as well as build on and embed both their basic PE skills but also start to develop their tactical awareness across a variety of sport such as team sports like Dodgeball and Baseball as well as more individual sports such as Badminton, Parents can support pupils by sending them in every week with a clean PE kit (eg a change of t-shirt, jumper either shorts or tracksuit bottoms as well as a comfortable pair of trainers).

Design and Technology

In design and technology we are going to be focusing on both cooking and textiles which will be based around Charlie and The Chocolate Factory. Cooking will consist of making simple sweets treats, cakes and biscuits. Textile will be about looking at the difference in the texture of materials which we will use to create our own magical chocolate room.

<u>German</u>

This term the students become familiar with the German language. They will learn basic greetings, introduce themselves, talk about their well-being or age and learn the numbers. You can support your child by asking for new phrases each week and to look for language games on-line.

<u>ICT</u>

This term pupils will be working towards independently being able to log on the computers using their personal user name and password and how to log off when they have completed the lesson. Pupils will gain a good understanding and be able to use the programs that are on both the computers and Ipods using them in their ICT lessons and also in the rest of their school curriculum. They will learn how to save their work to their personal school drive and to be able to print the work when necessary. While using the computers and surfing the web, we will be looking at how pupils can keep themselves safe both at school and when at home.

<u>History</u>

In History the students will explore the Norman Conquest and the structure of Medieval Society. In Geography they will examine the physical and human features of Africa and Asia whilst building up their map reading skills. You can support your child by discussing these topics, e. g. when watching documentations or reading books.