

What Lurks in the Shadows?

Key Subjects this term:

Science

As scientists, we will focus on Light and Shadows. We will learn that they need light in order to see things and that darkness is the absence of light. We will notice that light is reflected from surfaces and that light from the Sun can be dangerous. We will make shadows and notice that they are formed when the light from a light source is blocked and will find patterns in the way a shadow changes. There will be lots of practical work in order to develop our investigative skills.

English

Key Texts: The Wolves in the Walls by Neil Gaiman and The Owl Who was Afraid of the Dark by Jill Tomlinson.

We will be linking our writing to the above books in order to develop our Grammar knowledge and learn how to write different types of sentences (simple, compound and complex.) Towards the end of term, we will link our work to a Christmas advert (which we are eagerly anticipating!) and instruction writing.

Maths

As mathematicians, we will be working on the remaining two operations that are multiplication and division where we will learn written methods for both and apply them to word problems.

Our daily CLIC sessions will be present to develop our numeracy and basic number skills.

Art

Term 2 sees the return of one of our most favourite times of the school year: Arts Week! This year's focus is all about animals and Blue Area will be focussing on a particular skill that they will develop all week. We also choose a performing art and this year is drama! A separate letter will be sent about this.

In other Art lessons, we will study the work of famous artists with a light and shadow theme. This will form the stimulus for us to develop our drawing and painting skills.

PE

This term, our unit of PE will focus on movement and Dance and will link to our topic idea. We will plan, perform and repeat sequences and will work towards moving in a clear, fluent and expressive manner. We will refine our movements into sequences and create dances and movements that convey the idea of light and shadows.

Computing

As programmers, we will be developing the skills involved in programming and using sequences of code, through a range of computer programs.

RE

In RE, we will be looking at different festivals and why they are important to different religious communities.

WOW DAY

There will be no trip this term but we will instead have a WOW day on Monday 6th November to kick start our topic. We will be dressing up to answer the question 'What lurks in the shadows?' A note will be sent home separately.

Later in the term, we also hope to have visitor to come into school to talk to us about Owls, supporting our English work.

PFL (Primary Foreign Languages)

As linguists, we will developing our French knowledge to revise the numbers 1-10 and learn how to say numbers 10-30. We will revise days of the week and learn months of the year and dates. We will also learn to tell someone when our birthday is 'Mon anniversaire est le'

PSHE

Our first session will be linked to solving problems and anger management – both linked to communication skills. It then moves on to focus on staying safe, investigating bullying and being out and about during the darker nights and the winter.