



Curriculum Newsletter

Spring Term 2024

Fox Class

As Readers we will be exploring the story – The Spiderwick Chronicles - and practising our comprehension skills to deepen our understanding of the text by answering questions relating to: vocabulary, retrieval, inference, summarising, explaining and predicting.



As Writers we will be learning how to create an exciting fantasy story based on a finding plot. We will be describing the setting and characters with thoughtful detail and learning how to use figurative language, such as: similes, metaphors and personification to make our writing more interesting to the reader.

As Mathematicians we will be learning how to calculate fractions using all four operations. We will be extending our understanding of place value in decimal numbers and learning to compare and order, round and calculate numbers with up to 3 decimal places. Also, we will be finding percentages of amounts and solving problems involving fractions, decimals and percentages.



As Scientists we will be learning about the three main parts of the circulatory system and the job of the heart. We will also learn about what the blood is comprised of and how it is transported around the body. Then we will carry out an investigation to explore how heart rate is affected by exercise and apply our understanding by discussing the importance of exercise on the body to maintain a healthy lifestyle.

As Explorers we will be learning about North America: describing and understanding key aspects of the physical and human geography and the diversity that is associated with the climate zones in this continent. We will also be collecting and analysing statistics and other information in order to draw clear conclusions about North America.



As Artists and Designers we will be learning about architecture from the pyramids of Ancient Egypt and the creations of Renaissance artists and architects like Michelangelo, right up to the modern skyscrapers in cities around the world today. Inspired by the work of famous artists/architects we will be creating our own building designs.

As Theologians we will be exploring the big question: Is believing in God reasonable? We will be looking at the difference between a fact, belief, and opinion statement of their own and explain how someone else might interpret their statements legitimately but differently. We will compare the views of Christians and Humanists and write a balanced argument based on the big question, concluding with our own personal viewpoints.



As Historians we will be learning about the Aztecs as engineers, farmers and warriors. We will be exploring how the ancient capital city of Tenochtitlan was created, how agriculture had a significant impact on the success of the Aztec empire and how effective the Aztecs were as warriors in the expansion of their empire. Also, we will be exploring the rituals and beliefs of the Aztecs and how they converted to Christianity.

As Musicians we will be learning how to perform and compose music and incorporate a range of musical instruments. We will furthering our understanding of a range of musical styles and learn how to describe and appraise music relating to: pitch, dynamics, tempo, timbre, texture, lyrics and melody.



This overview is intended to give you a flavour of what we will be learning this term. If you recognise any of this 'good learning' at home, please feel free to pop it on Class Dojo. This will help us to recognise the next steps in learning that your child needs to take.