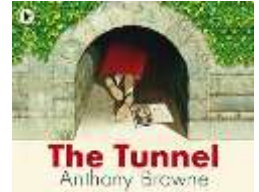


Year 3

St Neots



Focus Book: The Tunnel by Anthony Browne

English

This half term the children will be looking at several books by Anthony Browne. There will be a particular focus on the Tunnel. The children will develop their extended writing skills in the style of Anthony Browne. They will implement taught grammar such as: adverbs for cause, place and time; paragraphs and punctuating speech accurately.

In the second part of the half term, the children will be looking at writing a persuasive leaflet to convince people to visit St Neots. This will build on the knowledge which they have developed about St Neots, in particular using the knowledge from the guided trip around the town by the St Neots Museum staff. The children will be taught how to use persuasive techniques such as: rhetorical questions, alliteration and short, impactful sentences.

Maths

Calculation – Children will apply different strategies to subtract efficiently including regrouping the start number in order to make the taking away easier. They will also explore the approach of compensation by taking away 10 and adding one back on when asked to subtract 9. Through looking at fact families, the children will develop their understanding of the inverse relationship between addition and subtraction. When adding, the children will be introduced to formal written methods looking at each place value in turn. Diagrams will continue to be used to deepen the children's understanding of exchanging ten ones for one lot of ten.

Science, Geography and History

Science

Is a rock just a rock?
What different types of rock are there?
What can a rock tell us about the past?
What is soil?
Are all soils the same?
What do we know about Rocks and Soils now?

Geography

Where is St Neots
How has St Neots changed over time?
Why do people visit and live in St Neots?
How is the land used in the surrounding area?
Why is The Great Ouse important to St Neots?
What is there around the river?
Why should people know about St Neots?

Art

We begin the half term by exploring drawing skills. Children exploring ways to make drawings move using sliders and pins.

Design Technology

Pupils continue their work looking at using computer aided designs to make a gift box.

Computing

We will be starting to explore Scratch. Children will create their own code to control a character known as a sprite. They will look at the instructions they give the sprite and what it can do.

PE

Gymnastics – The children will be exploring different ways to travel and following a sequence of movements.
Outdoor – They will be developing their net games skills looking at accurate hitting.

PSHE

We will learn how best to work together. We begin by considering our own and others' strengths.

RE

The children will be considering what is important to Jewish people.

Music

The children be learning how to play the recorder

Languages

The children will learning how to read and write different animals in French.

Learning Values

Motivation

Why do people want to read books by Anthony Browne? What makes people want live in St. Neots?

Responsibility

How can we be responsible for working well with others? How can we be responsible for our local environment?

Collaboration

We will work with a learning partner to discuss ideas.
We will be learning to listen to our partner's opinion and sometimes reach a compromise on our ideas.

Perseverance

What barriers might Anthony Browne have faced when becoming a successful author?

Discovery

Discovering where St Neots is on a continent, country and county scale.

Growth Mindset

How can knowing our weaknesses be a strength?



The Tunnel

Anthony Browne

Once upon a time there lived a brother and sister who were complete opposites and constantly fought and argued. One day they discovered the tunnel. The boy goes through it at once, dismissing his sister's fears. When he doesn't return his sister has to pluck up the courage to go through the tunnel too. She finds her brother in a mysterious forest where he has been turned to stone...

Other Recommended Reads Linked To This Theme:

Gorilla By Anthony Browne
Voices in the Park by Anthony Browne
In to the Forest by Anthony Browne
My Dad by Anthony Browne
Little Frida by Anthony Browne
Hide and Seek by Anthony Browne