

Year 6 Wonder



English

Focus Book: Wonder – R.J. Palacio

In English this half term we will be studying the inspiring story of a young boy who has Treacher Collins syndrome. To begin this unit children will research and understand Treacher Collins syndrome and create an explanation text based on this. Leading on from this the children will explore the thoughts, feelings and experiences of the characters and write diary entries from different points of view. Finally, they will have the opportunity to write in a similar style to R.J. Palacio by writing a split narrative.

Maths

This term the children will be consolidating their knowledge of pie charts and data. They will think about how data can be presented and how to construct pie charts. From data the children have collected they will construct tables and charts and ask questions about what they have found in detail. The children will also be preparing for KS3 and learning about what they will be expected to learn as they transition from year 6 to year 7.

Science and Geography

Science

Key Questions: What is in our solar system?
This half term we will be investigating the dynamics of our solar system. We will learn about the different planets, the star at the centre of the system and the movements of the moon. We will also take a deeper look at how night and day are formed.

Geography

Key Questions: What is the physical and human geography of North America?
We will discover why there are so many earthquakes in this part of the world, what the climate is like in this region and what it would be like to live in the major cities of San Francisco and Los Angeles. We will also study the economy of North America.

Art

In art this half term children will be exploring different pop art artists and creating pieces of art in this style. This will involve painting, drawing and printing. Also, children will have the opportunity to make 'wave bowls' which will involve sculpture, drawing and painting. This will allow children to bring their skills and learning together.

Computing

We will be building our own games and programmes using Scratch. We will learn how to use complex code in an easy way.

PE

For our invasion games we will be playing rugby and we are developing our understanding of Outdoor Adventurous activities in the other unit.

PSHE

We are going to be understanding how changes in our lives can affect us.

RE

Sikhism: We will be exploring the Sikh religion and finding out about what Sikhs believe.

Music

We are exploring music through time. They will learn about folk songs and how these tell the stories of people and places. They will compose their own folk song.

Languages

French: continuing from last term which is: La Recreation-Playtime. We will be learning about playtime games and activities.

Learning Values

Motivation

In preparation for transition to secondary schools we will be discussing how this is a different learning environment and ensuring they are motivated to achieve their potential.

Responsibility

The children are now taking more responsibility for themselves and their own belongings. They will be thinking about how to react in a different learning environment

Collaboration

In our Outdoor Adventurous Activities unit for PE we will be doing a range of different activities that will require strong teamwork skills.

Perseverance

Understanding the vast expanse of space and the incredibly hostile environments encountered there is a great lesson in the perseverance

Discovery

The children will be discovering what life in secondary school is like and how to successfully prepare for the challenges that face them in the year to come.

Growth Mindset

In PSHE we will be thinking about how we feel about changes happening in our life, especially ones that maybe beyond our control.

demonstrated by those working in
the space industries.

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Other Recommended Reads Linked To This Theme:

Shingaling

Pluto

The Julian Chapter