Writing

We will take inspiration from nature, the environment and our shared goal for a sustainable planet to write different forms of poetry. We will continue to practise writing for different purposes, styles and audiences e.g short narratives, setting and character descriptions, instructions and information texts.

History

We will be looking at history beyond living memory. We will be looking at life in the 19th century including workhouses, the industrial revolution and how that impacted the planet. We will also make links to local mining history as we learn about the New Hartley pit disaster of 1862.





Art

We will draw inspiration from the greats such as Seurat and Warhol when creating our own pointillism and pop art pieces. We will mix primary colours to create secondary colours when painting and use different lines of thickness when drawing.



RE

In RE we will be learning about the story of Moses and the Exodus.

Maths

- When multiplying and dividing we will: make equal groups, make arrays, add equal groups and arrays, use multiplication signs to make multiplication sentences, multiply and divide by 2, 5 and 10.
- When working with statistics we will: make tally charts and draw and interpret pictograms.

Geography

We will use the seaside as a basis of a case study. We will look at the features of local beaches and beaches further afield. We will look at the location of seaside towns when using maps and atlases. We will look at the impact of litter and pollution on the environment and make comparisons to the past.



Continuing singing lessons with Miss Smith.



PSCHE and Character Education We will be focusing on the core theme of 'Health and Wellbeing'.



Spring 1

Aspirations – "What can you do

to look after our planet?"

Computing

STEM (Science, Technology,

Maths, Engineering)

We will revisit and reiterate the important messages around using computers safely and responsibly. We will be exploring uses of information technology, how it can be used as a communication tool and how we can do that safely.

Science

In science we will be learn about what plants and trees need to grow. We will look at how they grow from a seed into a tree or plant. We will recognise different types of plants and trees in our local area and further afield. We will work scientifically by comparing, observing and recording how plants grow when variables are controlled.



Inspirational Role Models:

- Sir David Attenbrough
- Andy Warhol
- Wangari Maathai
- Greta Thunberg
- Kate Sessions
- George Stephenson
- Lord Armstrong





Focus Texts

- Recycle Michael
- Mother Earth is Weeping
- The Flower
- Greta's Story



- Artist
- Engineer
- Conservationist
- Environmentalist
- Vet
- Herbologist

Visits, visitors and dates

- NUFC weekly PE sessions (multi-skills)
- Animal Aid in school visit (Tuesday18th January)
- Safer Internet Day (Tuesday 8th February)

Information and Reminders

- Year 2 PE days are Tuesday and Wednesdays. Please wear weather-appropriate PE kit to school these days.
- Planners and reading books need to be brought to school every day.
- We aim to read 3 times a week with a signature in the reading diary to acknowledge this.
- Wednesday is the multi-skills after school club for those signed up.
- We learn a new spelling rule or pattern every Monday which we will practise and revisit in school during the week.