

Leylands Class Curriculum Letter

Spring 2: Rampaging Rivers

English

We will be spending this half term:

Writing different letters (informal and formal). The first will be to the author of our class novel and the second will try to persuade our governors to review school uniform.

We will then write narrative poems using free verse, and return to memorising poetry to recite in class.

In guided reading we will be practising dictionary work, rapid retrieval and flying solo (inference, prediction and summarising) using various text types and media.

PSHE

We will continue to focus on mindfulness, and building a growth mind-set, having confidence and self-esteem.

We will also focus on our world and the responsibility we have to make it a better place for everyone. This will include recycling, biodiversity and deforestation.

Maths

Times-tables mastery will be a focus throughout this year, with each age group focussing on their target tables. We will use TT Rock Stars, Kung Fu Mathsters, and Daily 10 to accomplish this.

This half-term, the focus will be on measurement. We will measure length, convert measurement, learn to find the perimeter and area of a regular shape, and review our understanding of money. There will be a focus on the application of these topics in everyday situations.



Art/DT

We will be working on a cooking unit, learning about the origins of our food and having a balanced diet. We will be following a recipe to make smoothies, then design and evaluate our own recipes for either a pizza or wraps (to be determined later).

Music

We will use the Charanga music where possible to sing.

Topic

This half term, our topic is a geography-based subject, where we will be studying the location and impact of rivers. We will locate important rivers in the World, understand the physical features of a river and link population development to the geographical locations. We will complete a field study of the river Ter in the Summer term to apply our knowledge learned this term.

In history, we will look at the development of railways and their impact on travel and industry through time. We will locate places in the UK that were important and understand how this mode of transport changed where people lived and worked.

R.E.

We will focus on learning about Islam this half term, learning about the important beliefs, texts, places of worship and festivals. We will discuss the commonalities and differences between Islamic and Christian beliefs.

Science

We will continue to look at electricity this half term, focussing on building parallel circuits, understanding the purpose of a switch and thinking about sustainable sources. We will hopefully design and create a light-up wand.