

Literacy:

The children will be reading a range of poems about the city and make connections with their own experiences and other poems they have read. They will be exploring how poets use language for effect, consolidate their understanding of poetic terms: rhyme, rhythm, alliteration, simile, metaphor, synonyms and personification.

In class our reading for pleasure book this term we will be continuing to read 'Journey to the River' by Eva Ibbotson. In guided reading, we will be reading 'Iron Man' by Ted Hughes.

ART: Our focus this term is on drawing tone. The children will learn how to make different tones in soft pencil and charcoal. They will try to create the illusion of form and weight using different tones.

Topic:

A large part of the topic work will be done during our residential trip. Our activities in the Eden Project will be:

Plants, People, Places! The Great Plant Explorers travel to far reaching corners of the globe to see unique environments and wonderful cultures. The task is to visit as many countries as possible, tracing links and connections from us to the places and the people of our planet.

The Fire Carriers: Get to grips with the basics of fire-craft, including the use of flint and steel, search for wild food, and then cook up some tasty snacks.

Exploring the biomes at night

Back at school we will be learning how to be sustainable in the classroom, at home and in the wider community.

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Maths:

- Weekly tables torture and Big Maths tests on Fridays
- Consolidating long/short multiplication and division methods. This will be new to many of the year 5's as they need to become more confident in their methods and may not have come across short division before.
- Square numbers, prime numbers and common factors
- Fractions: becoming more confident when working with fractions, being able to compare fractions, understand what an improper fraction is, adding/taking away fractions

Science:

Mrs Brown will continue to teach science on Wednesday mornings and the topic is living things: plants, mammals and amphibians.

PE:

Chelsea Foundation will be teaching us tag rugby this term on Monday afternoons. We will also be doing gymnastics on Thursday afternoons.