Year 1 Term 4 - (HISTORY)

In this unit, the children will build on their previous learning about buildings in the local area. They will study castles in Kent including Sandgate, Deal and Dover. The children will learn the different features of a castle and key facts about the different castles they are focusing on. They will understand why each castle was important and when they were built. The children can create a map of the castles in Kent and understand why they are located on the coast. Finally they will make comparisons between the castles, discussing their similarities and differences. As part of the unit, they will visit a castle in the local area. They can sketch the castle, label its key features and record key facts they learn.

ENGLISH

Our book is Knight in Training: Combat at the Castle by Vivian French and David Melling. We will be writing adventure stories and information texts. We will continue to learn new graphemes, with Little Wandle phonics, and apply these to our writing.

SCIENCE

In this unit, children will identify, name, draw and label the basic parts of the human body and say which part of the body is associated with each sense. We will be investigating how humans use their senses.

RE

In RE this term, we will be investigating why we should care for the planet. We will be studying different stories from different religions, including understanding perspectives on how the world began.

DT

In this unit, the children will begin to learn about freestanding structures. They will explore different types of castles and find out about their features. They will design a castle and think about the best materials to use. They will explore the best joining techniques.

COMPUTING

This term, we will be using iPads to create digital painting pieces. We will be using different brushes, shapes and colours on the app.

PE

Our outdoor PE sessions this term will focus on Tennis with a coach.

Our indoor PE sessions will focus on gymnastics.

MATHS

This term, we will be concluding our learning on addition and subtraction to 20, understanding concepts such as more and less and using number lines to help us add and subtract.

We will be recognising and counting numbers up to 50 in both numerals and words. We will apply these numbers to solve various problems, including finding one more and one less, and comparing numbers using 'less than' or 'greater than'.

We will also begin to compare and measure the length, height, weight and mass of different objects. The children will use language such as 'shorter', 'longer', 'taller', 'heavier' and 'lighter'.

MUSIC

All the learning in this unit will focus around the song Round and Round. We will be listening to songs, appraising what we hear, and performing the song by singing and playing instruments as well as improvising our own songs.

PSHE

This term, our unit is called 'Aiming High'. We will be thinking about our star qualities, how to be super learners, and our goals for the future.