

Girton Glebe Primary School Curriculum Organiser

Year 4 (Cherry Class) - Spring 1

Key Skills

Use maps and atlases to locate mountain ranges and rivers.

Use maps to find out how high mountains are.

Use digitial resources to investigate mountains and rivers.

Use grid references on map to find river sources.

Use contour lines.



Misty Mountain, Winding River

key vocabulary			
contour	plateau	summit	outcrop
fault -block mountain	fold mountains	volcanic mountains	plateau mountains
erosional mountains	dome mountain	ox bow lake	river mouth
evaporation	condensation	precipitation	relief

Key Knowledge

To know how different types of mountains are formed.

To know key features of mountains e.g. peak, outcrop, summit, plateau, snow line, and tree line.

To understand how rivers are formed.

To know some features of rivers, including ox bow lakes.

To understand the water cycle.



English:

In English we will be focusing on the text 'Kensuke's Kingdom', which we will use as inspiration for our writing.

Opportunities for reading and writing will include:

- Listening to and discussing a wide range of fiction, poetry and non-fiction texts.
- Asking questions to improve their understanding of a text
- Identifying main ideas drawn from more than one paragraph and summarising these.
- Spelling homophones.
- Using the first two or three letters from a word to check its spelling in a dictionary.
- Organising paragraphs around a theme.
- Assessing the effectiveness of their own and others' writing and suggesting improvements.
- Choosing nouns or pronouns appropriately for clarity and cohesion and to avoid repetition.
- Using conjunctions, adverbs and prepositions to express time and cause.

Science:

This half term we will be focusing on 'Sound'.

We will be discovering how we can hear and learning about the different qualities and features of sound.

During this topic we will cover the following skills

- Identifying how sounds are made, associating some of them with something vibrating.
- Recognising that vibrations from sounds travel through a medium to the ear.
- Finding patterns between the pitch of a sound and features of the object that produced it.
- Finding patterns between the volume of a sound and the strength of the vibrations that produced it.
- Recognising that sounds get fainter as the distance from the sound source increases.

Maths:

This half term we shall be covering the following aspects of the maths curriculum:

Number – Multiplication and division:

- Multiplying up to three-digit numbers by one-digit numbers using mental and formal written methods.
- Dividing up to three-digit by one-digit numbers using mental and formal written methods.
- Recognising and using factor pairs.
- Solving problems, including missing number problems, involving multiplication and division.

Area:

- Finding the area of rectilinear shapes by counting squares.
- Estimating, comparing and calculating different measures, including money in pence and ponds.



Music:

In music, we will continue singing topic songs

We will be covering the following skills:

- Listening with attention to detail and recall sounds with increasing accuracy.
- Appreciating and understanding a wide range of music.

Computing:

In computing we will use the computer and iPads to edit

We will cover the following skills:

Acquiring and storing images from the internet for a purpose.

Editing pictures using a range of tools.

Art:

As artists, we will be exploring different painting techniques to create mood and landscapes. We will also look at the art of Hokusai, and landscape artists such as Turner, Monet and Hockney.

During this topic we will cover the following skills:

- Identifying, mixing and using warm and cool paint colours to evoke warmth or coolness in a painting.
- Developing a painting from drawings.
- Using light and dark within a painting and showing an understanding of complimentary colours.
- Using sketchbooks to collect and record visual information.
- Starting to look at working in the same style as a selected artist.

R.E:

This half term we will be looking at Hinduism; Stories and Symbols. Exploring some of the beliefs Hindus have from stories and how they provide examples of how to live.

During this topic we will cover the following skills:

- Learning about some of the main festivals celebrated by Hindus.
- Finding out about stories, symbols and rituals associated with the festivals.

PE:

In PE the children will be developing ball control skills with Cambridge United and honing throwing and catching in Dodgeball.

During this topic we will cover the following skills:

- throwing, dodging and catching
- apply simple tactics to the game
- opportunities to play games independently
- opportunities to evaluate and improve on their own and others performances.

PSHE:

In PSHE we will be thinking about 'Working Together'.

We will cover the following skills:

- Identifying our own strengths and skllls and those of
- Knowing that learning new skills is a process.
- Reflecting on and evaluating the success of their learning process.
- Recognising what might help themselves and others to persevere at a task.

French:

In French the children will study the unit 'Je me presente' and 'en famille'. The children will learn to identify family relations, numbers and ages

During this topic we will cover the following skills:

- Exploring the patterns and sounds of language through repetition of the words.
- Engaging in conversations by asking and answering questions.
- Developing accurate pronunciation and intonation.