

Etal Class Overview – Spring 2 2019

Topic: Our Changing World

Subject	What we will learn this half term
English	<p>Our class book for this half term is <i>Holes</i> by Louis Sachar; an inventive and captivating comedic mystery about a boy who unjustly winds up at Camp Green Lake Juvenile Detention Centre.</p> <p>We will be using this book as a stimulus for a range of writing including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Persuasive advert • Balanced argument • Informal letter <p>We will also be using film clip stimulus to inspire creative narrative writing of a mysterious event!</p> <p>Based on our Science focus of evolution, we will be writing biographies about a key scientist in this field.</p>
Maths	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Algebra • Converting units • Perimeter, area & volume • Ratio
Science	<p><i>Evolution and Inheritance</i></p> <p>During this unit, we will be building on learning from previous topics of Animals including Humans; Living things and their habitats; and Fossils. We will learn about:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Inheritance and variation • Adaptation to suit environment • Theory of evolution- examining theories constructed by Darwin and Wallace • Evidence for evolution from fossil records • Evidence for evolution in relation to humans • Adaptation, Evolution and Human Intervention- the advantages and disadvantages of adaptations and the role of human intervention
Humanities (History & Geography)	<p>Our Changing World</p> <p>In this unit, we will learn about the many ways in which the world around us is changing and focus on our local area. The aspects we will learn about include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Weathering and erosion • Coastal features of the UK • How our coastlines are changing • Changing boundaries of the UK • Changing landscapes • What does the future hold? <p>The culmination of this unit will involve children predicting what physical</p>

	factors might change the landscape in the future, and what impact humans will have on these changes.
Art & D&T	The Seaside With links to our topic, we will be focusing our Art this half term around a seaside theme. This will involve using a range of different materials and techniques to create art work and looking at the work of artists Alfred Wallis and Hokusai for inspiration.
RE	Creation Stories During this unit, children will learn about a range of creation stories from world religions, less known or extinct religions as well as different cultures. We will focus on: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Judaism and Christianity- the Judeo-Christian story of creation • Compare Creation stories of the Abrahamic religions • Hinduism • Sikhism • Different types of creation stories • Compare creation stories of world religions
PSHE	Mindful Me In this unit we will focus on self-wellbeing and learn different mindfulness techniques to cope with worries and understand different emotions in different situations. <i>Mindfulness is when we are thinking about what we are doing right now. Ignoring the past or the future, we just think about the present.</i>
PE	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dance • Rugby with Cramlington Rockets
Computing	Computing this half term will focus on Kodu Programming- creating games using a 3D scene editor.
Music	All the learning in this unit is focused around one song: I'll Be There by The Jackson 5 - a Motown song. Alongside learning the song (amongst others in this genre) we will be using band/orchestral instruments with classroom instruments to create a brilliant ensemble.
French	In this 'Let's Go Shopping' unit children will learn about the shopping experience in France. They will learn how to use the nuances of colour when describing the colours of clothes and how to use prepositional language. They will learn key phrases for asking the questions needed when going shopping. Throughout this unit, children will continue to develop their understanding of the basic grammar rules and apply these in their writing to build sentences. Grammar will include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Positional language • Choose correct masculine and feminine form • Correct form of adjectives to describe nouns •

Homework, including spellings, is given on a Friday. Please return homework folders/booklets to school by Thursday. Class spelling and times table tests are weekly, each Friday. A copy of our Homework Policy is on the school website.

Useful Links

Maths:

<http://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/ks2/maths/>

<http://www.topmarks.co.uk/maths-games/7-11-years>

<https://play.prodigygame.com/>

English:

<http://www.topmarks.co.uk/english-games/7-11-years/spelling-and-grammar>

<https://www.spellingshed.com/en-gb/index.html>

Topic:

https://www.ducksters.com/science/earth_science/erosion.php

Science:

<https://www.bbc.com/bitesize/topics/zwdr6yc>