

What makes Britain Great?

KS1 Spring Term 4 2024



Key Areas of Learning

As Geographers, this term we will be exploring all the things that make Britain great! We will discuss how the United Kingdom comprises of Great Britain (England, Scotland, Wales) and Northern Ireland. We will look at the large map of the U.K. and atlases again, continuing to embed our map skills. Each session will focus on one of the countries in more depth, identifying human and physical landmarks, flags, major cities, wildlife and areas of interest.

At the end of the term, we plan to host a Great British tea party for the children and parents. More information to follow later in the term.

ENGLISH

We are beginning the term by focusing on the text 'The Queen's Handbag' by Steve Antony. We will be learning a shortened version of the text through our Talk 4 Writing approach. We are going to be continuing to use our 'great writers always' toolkit, as well as focusing on using interesting sentence openers and conjunctions.

MATHEMATICS

We will be looking at multiplication moving onto division later in the term. The Y1s will continue to use Numbots, with Y2s being introduced to Times Table rock stars.

MUSIC

We will be exploring music inspired by the British Isles, learning some well-known songs and creating our own.

R.E.

We are going to be learning the Easter Story. We are also going to be thinking about what it means to be a leader and identifying other leaders that people may follow.

ART

This term we are taking part in a whole school art project. We will be designing and creating our own imaginary creature using different mediums.

READING AND PHONICS

We will all be taking part in whole class reading sessions, using the reading dogs to discuss and develop the different skills of reading.

Children who require phonics have been phonic assessed and grouped appropriately. Children will continue with phonics and the RWI spelling programme.

PE

In P.E. children will be working on their ball skills, throwing and catching. They will continue to think about teamwork in games.

SCIENCE

Throughout the school, we will be practicing being good scientists, taking part in the Big Science Competition run by Science Oxford.

Spiritual, Moral and Cultural Awareness /PSHE

This term we will continue discussing our value resilience. What does the Bible tell us about resilience? Do we have stories of resilience in our own school? We will also be taking part in World Book Day! At Forest School we will be continuing to develop our tool skills and knot tying skills. We will also be observing the changes that happen to our site during the Spring time. We will be continuing to work on teamwork and communication during our play and through storytelling.

In PSHE we will be focusing on health, building on our learning in Science last term to consider how to be healthy, considering why we have medicines and how to be safe with them and also discussing road safety.