Island Life

Autumn 2026 Year 3 Miss Richardson, Mrs Fox & Miss Chipperfield

Shared and Guided Reading



We will be reading Nim's Island by Wendy Orr. We will also be reading a wide range of fiction, non-fiction and poetry through guided reading sessions.

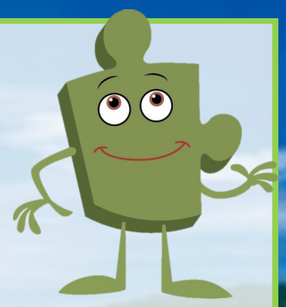
English

We will be:

- Completing the Place Value for Punctuation and Grammar unit to learn fundamental sentence structures.
- Writing poetry based on 'I Didn't Go Camping' by Kenn Nesbitt.
- Writing a non-chronological report on forces, linked to our Science unit Feel The Force.

PSHE

Being Me In My World



- Setting personal goals
- Self-identity and worth
- Positivity in challenges
- Rules, rights and responsibilities
- Rewards and consequences
- Responsible choices
- Seeing things from others' perspectives

Maths (Including maths across the curriculum)

In Maths we will be learning to:

- Identify the value of digits in a 3-digit number.
- Compare and order numbers to 1000.
- Count in 4s, 8s, 50s and 100s.
- Add and subtract 3-digit numbers using the column method.
- Use estimation and inverse to solve number problems and check answers.

Physical Education

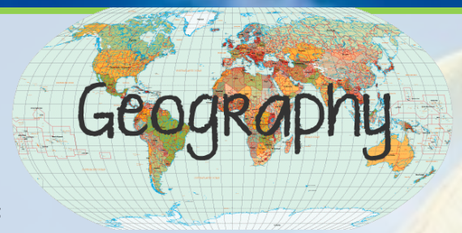
INDOOR PE - Functional Fitness (Monday)

- We will be learning a range of fitness skills, including sprinting, jumping, throwing and catching.

OUTDOOR PE - Multi-Sports (Wednesday)

- We will be learning the rules of rugby; developing throwing and catching skills and participating in games to demonstrate the school games values.

Geography



In Geography, we will be:

- Learning to name and locate the continents, oceans and islands.
- Learning about the globe and maps including some of their features.
- Learning about the human and physical geography of islands as well as their climates.
- Learning about rivers and how they are formed.
- Learning how the water cycle works.
- Learning how to use maps and find locations using 4-figure grid references.
- Learning how islands are formed including finding out about volcanoes.

Science

Through our 'Fantastic Forces' topic we will be finding out:

- Forces as pushes and pulls and how they affect movement.
- How the strength of a force can change its effect.
- Friction and air resistance and how they slow objects down.
- Gravity and how it pulls objects towards Earth.
- Magnetic forces, including attraction, repulsion and how distance affects magnets.
- How forces are used in everyday life.



We will be exploring Britain's dominant faith, Christianity, in RE lessons.

Music

We will be:

- Learning about different music from islands around the world.
- Creating the atmosphere of an island through sounds and rhythms. and what makes it unique.

RE - Remembering

We will be exploring the meaning of remembrance for different faiths including Christianity, Hinduism, Islam and atheism.

We will explore how these faiths celebrate key events through religious festivals and rituals.

Languages

We will be learning in French:

- Greetings
- Colours
- Numbers to 10

Computing

We will be looking at:

- Touch typing
- Emails
- Route planners
- Algorithms and Coding

History

We will be learning about:

- Darwin's exploration of islands including the Galapagos Islands.

Art & DT

We will be learning:

- How to create an island-inspired postage stamp.
- To develop our painting skills to create a sunset image with a silhouette linked to our 'Island Life' topic.

Entry Point

We will be tasting fruit from around the world and learning about surviving on a desert island.

Exit Point

Children will work in groups to design their own islands taking on board their learning from the Island Life topic.

International

We will be learning about:

- The unique cultural aspects of a place
- How island culture and ecology is under threat and how to protect them.

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