

French:

Revisiting numbers; learning about birthdays and months of the year.

Computing:

Beginning to use Purple Mash to learn how to code simple programmes.

RE:

Christmas: Looking closely at the significance of the nativity story for Christians today.

Design & Technology:

Paper Mechanisms: Studying the mechanisms used in pop-up books, learning how to make them and designing our own pop-up book about a famous explorer.

Science:

Sound: Learning how sounds are made by vibrations, how they travel to the ear and how well they travel through different materials. Investigating what affects the volume and pitch of a sound and why.

Geography:

Exploring the Globe: We will be discovering how different explorers helped to chart the globe and the journeys they took. We will learn about lines of latitude and longitude (and about times zones), read and create maps and use compasses.

Explorers

We will be travelling around the globe with famous explorers, from Columbus to Ranulph Fiennes! We will visit the Galapagos Islands with Charles Darwin, explore America with Lewis and Clark and race to the South Pole with Scott. As we do so, we will learn more about the amazing diversity of the world we live in. Please let us know if you have any expertise about this topic that you would like to come in and share.

Literacy:

Fiction: Reading a picture book about an over-curious explorer and retelling the story in our own words using ambitious description.
Non-fiction: Writing the biography of a famous explorer. Exploring recounts of explorers' journeys in letters, diaries and news reports.
Grammar: Learning about clauses (main and subordinate) and using commas to divide them. Exploring irregular past tenses of verbs.
Spelling: continuing to explore and practise common spelling patterns.

PE:

Football: Developing passing, dribbling and ball control skills, as well as tactical awareness in invasion games.
Gymnastics: Learning to perform a well-controlled gymnastics routine, ending in a competition against Queen Edith!

PSHE:

Personal Safety: Discussing ways to keep safe, how to say no to something we don't like and people we can talk to if we feel worried.

Music:

Exploring how different instruments create sound and how our voices can - from beatboxing to singing in rounds!

Maths:

Developing accuracy and confidence with adding, subtracting and multiplying larger numbers. Finding fractions of shapes, numbers and quantities and exploring equivalence. Learning to tell the time accurately with the 12- and 24-hour clock and solving time problems. Creating bar and line graphs and interpreting them to find out information.

