Our World – Continents, Oceans and Weather

Inspirational People

Vincent Van Gogh is one of the world's most famous painters, however, when he was alive he was not very famous at all. If you look closely at his paintings, the brushstrokes are broken up. It is as if you can see each time he has put his brush on the canvas. He was born in the Netherlands but travelled across Europe. When he was in London, he was inspired by all the art he saw in the galleries. When he was 27, he decided to become an artist. Up until then, he had been a teacher, a shop assistant and had dreams of working for the church. All of these experiences inspired his art. Sometimes Van Gogh felt very angry or sad and he was not able to control his emotions. He used his painting as a way to help with his illness. He took his own life when he was 37.





Leonardo Messi: Links will be made during PE and PSHE sessions (invasion games – football, Achievements, Strengths and Goals). Lionel Messi was born in Argentina on the 24th June 1987. He was named

the International world footballer of the year five times (2009-2012 and 2015). In the 2004-5 season Messi became the youngest official player and goal scorer in the Spanish La Liga (the country's highest division of football). In 2010, UNICEF named him a goodwill ambassador, with a focus on fighting for children's rights across the globe.

The World:

We will be learning the names of the continents and oceans and where they are in the world. Did you know the Pacific Ocean got its name from the Latin *pacis* meaning 'peace' because when it was first sailed it was calmer than the stormy Atlantic Ocean.

Further Information About Vincent Van Gogh

Van Gogh's artwork is really good to explore with children, the vivid use of colour is a really good way for younger children to explore mood and feeling. In this Theme the children will be using his work to look at the implied weather and how this has been created through colour and brushstrokes.

From what is known about Van Gogh's life it was at points quite traumatic and sad. The staff will be careful about the information shared with the children. We provide information on these sheets in the hope that it is supportive should you wish to carry out further study at home. If you choose to look at further information about Van Gogh with your child, please be mindful that not all information shared on websites, even those that claim to be for children, may be information you wish your child to read / share. The website below from the Tate explains things about his life in a more suitable way than some of the other sites. https://www.tate.org.uk/kids/explore/who-is/who-vincent-van-gogh. Trips to art galleries will not be possible for you in the near future due to restrictions, so there are links to galleries' webpages which allow you to see some of Van Gogh's artwork.

London

National Gallery https://www.nationalgallery.org.uk/artists/vincent-van-gogh
Tate Britain

https://www.tate.org.uk/whats-on/tate-britain/exhibition/ey-exhibition-van-gogh-and-britain

York: https://www.visityork.org/explore/van-gogh-the-immersive-experience-p1110971

Key Vocabulary:

Five oceans: Pacific, Atlantic, Indian, Southern and Arctic Oceans.

Seven continents: Africa, Antarctica, Asia, Australia, Europe, North America, South America, Vincent Van Gogh, artist, brushstrokes, colour, style, impression, canvas, Lionel Messi, desire, focus, passion, training, determination, commitment, ambassador, UNICEF, children's rights.



Year 1 Curriculum Information

Autumn 2





PE/Outdoor Learning/Library

PE: Lions and Leopards have PE on a Thursday and Friday.

Library: Children will select their library book on a **Friday** and this will then be able to be changed the following **Friday.**

Outdoor Learning: This will take place in Spring 1.

Homework:

Reading: Children should be reading regularly at home – please record this in their Home Reading Record Book. The children can also access 'Teach Your Monster to Read' – log ins have been sent home. Should you require a new one please email the school and we will send another.

Maths: Please visit the www.topmarks.co.uk/maths-games website which gives a range of fun games for the children to play which will enable them to practise various maths skills taught throughout Year 1.

Theme Outcome:

We are considering how we can share our learning with you at the end of this unit, as we currently cannot hold theme outcomes in school.

Additional information on the National Curriculum content for this theme can be found on our school website: http://www.hamble-pri.hants.sch.uk/

English

We will be looking at the texts 'The Jolly Postman' and 'The Jolly Christmas Postman', by Janet and Allan Ahlberg.

We will be focusing on:

- Asking questions about a text;
- Oral rehearsal of sentences;
- Using noun phrases;
- Capital letters for names and days;
- Personal pronoun 'I, he, she'
- Using topical vocabulary

Please record any reading undertaken at home in your child's Home Reading Record Book, by initialling it and writing the date. You may wish to record the page number and a short comment.

Maths

The Year 1 units which will be covered include:

- Properties of shape;
- Multiplication and division (2,5, and 10s);
- Fractions;
- Money;
- Position and direction

We will be continuing to build on children's speed and fluency of number through daily arithmetic.

Science

Animals including Humans.

- Name and identify parts of the human body.
- Name and describe the 5 senses.

Theme

Through our theme we will explore

- The seven continents and 5 oceans;
- What the weather is like in these places:
- The climate and general weather patterns;
- Sketching skills;
- Skills in painting with watercolours.