

Maths

During the week when Year 6 children visit SDCC, the Year 5 children will be focussed on working through some of the calculation and number and place value objectives which they will be covering in Year 6. The rest of the maths sessions during this half term are all linked to the Fiver Challenge in some way. The children will be learning to track their accounts, understand how to work for a profit and manage their money. They will present their progress in various data forms and learn to read and analyse the data from other groups. Children will also be looking at what wages they can expect to earn from the range of careers that interest them. They will learn about Tax and NI and how this is calculated and deducted.

Computing

This half term, pupils will continue to improve their general computer skills, for example, by using Powerpoint to present their learning in other subject areas. The children will also revisit and extend their computer programming skills.

Music

In our music we are continuing to look at developing rhythm in rap. We are also exploring harmonies and singing in rounds as we work on the songs for our end of year performance.

French

Pupils will have the opportunity to begin corresponding with children in a French school, which is a link we hope will continue next academic year. Pupils will also continue to develop and consolidate their French language skills.

Topic

The Fiver Challenge was a huge success last year and so we have decided to run it again this Summer Term. The children have been placed into groups of five with each child bringing £5 to their company. The children will decide on a product or service which they will provide which engages the school and where appropriate, the wider community. Their aim is to make a profit so that they can return the £5 business loan and still have enough to pay for their class trip. The children will take part in weekly national competitions and three of the groups will have their final log books entered into the final national competition which could mean a trip to London to be presented with their prize by Sir Richard Branson. The challenge will end on the 19th June, but there will be a Fiver Fete being held on Tuesday 23rd June, in the afternoon, to help raise more money for their class trip.

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Science

The children will carry out some one off investigations which give them the opportunity to make predictions, plan how to carry out the investigation and evaluate the results.

Miscellaneous

- Children will also take part in:
- A presentation about bats
 - Fire safety
 - Refugee day
 - Tree day
 - Baking for the Summer Fete

Art/ DT

As part of the Fiver Challenge the children are called on to join forces and skills with other children in their group to produce a product or service. The design process and making the products put the skills of Art and Design into a real context.

PSHE

The children will be split into gender groups and year groups to work through the Sex and Relationships Education program. As well as this the children will be discussing moral, ethical and social issues surrounding money and charities as part of their entrepreneurial project.

Literacy

The literacy is split into two parts – Dragonology and Fiver Challenge. Dragonology – the children have already written some pieces to put into their dragonology books but they will continue to do this with a newspaper report, explanation text and information text. They will consider how they will set out their book with text and images. Fiver Challenge – The children are drawing on many literacy skills for this project as they learn to persuade, engage and reflect. They will compose adverts, presentations and write letters and diary entries.

RE

Pentecost and Mission: pupils are invited to consider the universal nature of the Church by identifying the range of people represented in the account of Pentecost. By exploring the different titles of the Holy Spirit, pupils should be able to explore how they can be disciples of Jesus. They should also understand the Holy Spirit as being part of the Trinity. Universal Church: Times they have been treated justly and unjustly. Work that Christians do for the common good of all.

PE

We are preparing for the Sports' Day with our athletics sessions – these are focussing on running, throwing and jumping skills, techniques and activities. We are also going to be swimming at Buckfastleigh swimming pool, with lessons developing children's confidence and abilities, leading up to the swimming gala. Bikeability week will also offer children the chance to build confidence and skills with road safety on their bikes. During the residential trip they will get to explore off road bike riding in Haldon Forest. On Dartmoor the children will be instructed in a range of activities which help to build team work and problem solving skills.