



Mersey Park Half Term Overview



Spring 2

Year 2

Writing

In our literacy lessons we will be learning the story of 'Traction Man'. We will describe our own superheroes and create our own superhero story.

We will also read lots of stories about the adventures of Katie Morag and write descriptions of Struay, the island she lives on, as well as some of the characters we meet on Struay. We will write character descriptions of some of the characters in the stories.



Reading and Spelling

In our reading we will be continuing to sound out longer trickier words and trying to read most familiar words fluently.

We will be learning these sounds in spellings and looking out for them in our reading books;

er – e
double consonant - ing, ed
/or/ - a before l, ll
/u/ - o

We will also be looking for these tricky words;

last, past, father, grass, pass, class, plant, path, bath, hour

We will continue to apply our comprehension skills by answering questions about the books we have read.



Maths

In our maths lessons we will be continuing to look at multiplication and division. We will use bar models to help us work out tricky word problems. We will learn more about fractions of shapes and amounts. We will learn how to find half, quarter, three quarters and a third of a numbers and shapes. We will learn how to tell the time to o'clock, half past, quarter past and quarter to and we will start to try to tell the time to 5 minute intervals.



Topic

Our topic this half term will be 'Katie Morag'. As geographers we will learn the names and location of the 5 oceans and the 7 continents. We will learn about the geographical features of an island, including both human and physical features. We will make comparisons of a non-European island and a UK island. We will compare the weather, landscape, jobs and cultures. We will look at cold and hot areas of the world. As artists we will create portraits of the Royal Family and Katie Morag's family.



Science

In science we will be learning all about 'Living Things and their Habitats'. We will explore and compare what the terms; living, dead and never lived mean. We will discuss how living things have offspring which resemble their parents and they themselves grow into adults which reproduce. We will order the stages of growth of humans from birth to old age. We will be reintroduced to the term 'habitat' from Year 1 and discuss a new term 'micro-habitat' and talk about the difference between these terms.



living



dead



never living

Mersey Park Life Skills

To help our Year Two children develop as well rounded little people who are ready for the world around them, we will be teaching our children life skills. This half term we will be focusing on water safety. We will look at local beaches and what makes the Wirral such a great place to live. We will look at different families and discuss diversity. As part of our Jigsaw work we will be learning all about what it means to be healthy as part of our 'Healthy Me' topic.

