Year 5: Spring 1 Space



Topic Overview

In this topic, year 5 delve in to the phenomena of space and learn about the science behind the awe and wonder. We launch our enquiry with meeting the planets and discover which solar system we are in and what it is made up of. This will then lead on to the relationship between the moon and Earth and how day and night exists. We will also look at some successful people linked to space with a particular focus on the achievements of women.

| English | Science | Non-lead subjects: | |
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| PIE – Inform | Earth and Space | DT | |
| Children will write an explanation text. Children will identify | Children taught to: | Making a secure structure and chassis – Moon Buggies. | |
| the audience and purpose for their writing using similar | describe the movement of the Earth, and other | Children will create a simple design specification to guide the | |
| models for their own. Children will use simple devices to | planets, relative to the Sun in the solar system | development of their ideas. Children will think about the effectiveness | |
| structure their text such as headings, sub-headings and bullet | describe the movement of the Moon relative to | of the materials they choose to construct their moon buggies. | |
| points. They will also use a range of devices to build cohesion | the Earth | Children will then formulate a clear step-by-step plan of how to make | |
| (conjunctions, adverbials of time and place). | describe the Sun, Earth and Moon as | the structure and select appropriate tools to ensure an effective | |
| | approximately spherical bodies | outcome. | |
| PIE – Entertain | use the idea of the Earth's rotation to explain day | Children will then evaluate their structure critically against their design | |
| Children will write a Science- Fiction story with a focus on | and night and the apparent movement of the sun | specification and the intended user purpose. | |
| setting. Children will create settings, characters and | across the sky. | D.F. | |
| atmospheres. Use a range of literacy devices such as | | R.E. | |
| figurative language e.g. metaphors. Children will use a range | | Christianity Flight Children will look at flight as a symbol. | |
| of devices to build cohesion including a range of | | Children will explain the meaning of the concept <i>symbol</i> , explain how | |
| conjunctions, adverbials of time and place and pronouns. | | flight as a <i>symbol</i> is expressed in different religious stories, evaluate | |
| | | flight as a symbol by explaining its meaning and linking it to a personal | |
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| | Other subjects taught in this unit of study: Maths (decimals and fractions), Music, French, PE (yoga/ fitness and handball) | | |