



Tar Beach



Faith Ringgold

English

Our text is Tar Beach by Faith Ringgold. Children will explore the theme of 'freedom' and do so by creating their own poems. Once they have finished the story, children will receive a letter from the BBC asking them to write a script for the (hypothetical) upcoming movie version. Children will learn the various skills associated with script writing, writing dialogue and stage directions, including writing in present tense, using brackets, contractions and noun phrases. Children will finally publish an act from their script on BBC-headed paper and, in a small group, perform their scripts in front of an audience.



Geography

Our topic is Rivers and will be learning to:

- Describe the three courses of a river.
- Name the physical features of a river.
- Name some major rivers and their location.
- Describe different ways a river is used.
- List some of the problems around rivers.
- Describe human and physical features around a river.

Music



This half term we will focus on: Changes in tempo and dynamics which is linked to our rivers topic in Geography. We will learn to

- Perform a vocal ostinato in time.
- Create an ostinato and represent it on paper so that they can remember it.
- Create and perform a piece with a variety of ostinatos.

PSHE



Our unit will focus on Health and well-being.; physical and emotional changes in puberty;. Children will learn personal hygiene routines to support with puberty

Maths

We will be focussing on money, time and shapes. Children will learn how to convert pounds and pence and how to calculate with money,. Children will develop their ability to read a digital and analogue clock., and convert between the two. Children will also learn about a variety of different shapes including quadrilaterals, and polygons.



Computing

This half term we will record weather forecast information in a spreadsheet and explain how this data is collected. We will also design a weather station that gathers and records sensor data, explaining how it works and the units of measurement it would use.



Year 4

Summer Term 2



Science

We will be investigating our enquiry question 'How does the flow of liquids compare?'. Children will be conducting their own comparative experiment on the viscosity of different liquids.



RE

Our question for this half term is :How and why do people mark the significant events of life? We will be learning to- describe what happens in ceremonies of commitment (e.g. baptism, sacred thread, marriage) and say what these rituals mean. We will identify some differences in how people celebrate commitment.



DT

Our focus is =Electrical systems: torches, We will be learning to evaluate a range of existing torches and design a functional torch for a target audience



PE- Tuesday and Friday

In gymnastics, children will be developing their floor work. In addition to using a range of apparatus;; benches, tabletops, springboard, box, climbing frame and ropes



In outdoor PE, children will take part in a range of athletics based sports and activities.

How you can support your child at home

- Developing their understanding of converting pence to pounds and vice versa.
- A mixture of independent and 1-1 reading and discussion of the text, asking questions about the plot and making inferences about characters.
- Continue to use TT Rockstars to practise division facts
- Spelling of Year 3 and 4 words using games such as silly sentences.

MFL

Our theme this half term is café. We will be revisiting our knowledge of different foods and our preferences for these foods.

