

Vocabulary

Hamlet	A small settlement, smaller than a village.
Grotto	A small picturesque cave.
Palace	A large, impressive building forming the official residence of a ruler.
Chronological	A record of events following the order in which they occurred.
Electricity	The presence and flow of electric charge, it transfers energy so we can complete simple chores.
Insulator	A material or an object that does not easily allow heat to pass through it.
Conductor	A material that directs electricity.
Appliance	A device or a piece of equipment designed to perform a specific task.
Circuit	It is a path which electricity flows through.

We are reading

This half term we will be reading the fantasy story the Firework Maker's Daughter by Philip Pullman.

We will also be exploring a range of explanation texts.

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Maths Key Skills

I can round any number to the nearest 10, 100 and 1000 and decimals with one decimal place to the nearest whole.

I can add and subtract with up to 4-decimal places using formal written methods of columnar addition and subtraction.

I can solve two step addition and subtraction problems in context.

I can read, write and convert between analogue and digital 12 and 24 hour times.

English Key Skills

I can identify the (simple) themes in texts.

I can identify some text type organisational features, for example, narrative, explanation and persuasion.

I can retrieve information from non-fiction texts.

I can write a narrative with a clear structure, setting and plot.

I can use noun phrases which are expanded by adding modifying adjectives, nouns and prepositional phrases.

I can use the diagonal and horizontal strokes that are needed in joining letters.

Religious Education

This half term we will use our school mission statement to help us better shape our daily lives. We will be developing our understanding of what is a sin and how our conscience can be our guide.

We will see how Jesus is the Way, the Truth and the Life.

School and Parish Events

- Welcome Mass
- Harvest Festival

Topic Based Key Skills for the lead subjects this half term

Science - identify common appliances that run off electricity. Construct a simple series electrical circuit, identifying and naming its basic parts. Recognise some common conductors and insulators and associate metals with being good conductors.

Geography - locate European countries, using maps to focus on Europe. Concentrating on their environmental regions, key physical and human characteristics, countries, and major cities. Make comparisons on these countries.

Computing - design, write and debug programs that accomplish specific goals. Use sequence selection, and repetition in programs. Use logical reasoning to explain how some simple algorithms work and to detect and correct errors in algorithm and programs.

Physical Health - PE - Dance

Mental Health - HRSE - Being unique: growing in love for myself and God.