



Y2 Newsletter

Light up the World



Theme Overview

"Light Up the World" is a thematic unit based around the sun, with a science focus. Pupils will look at solar power and how to save electricity, as well as learning about sun safety and the importance of protecting both the skin and eyes. They will also learn about how shadows are formed when solid objects block light. Nocturnal animals will also be introduced in this unit.

Maths

In Maths we will be learning how to find fractions of shapes and numbers. We will learn about different shapes and their properties. We will also look at statistics and how to use different charts and graphs.

PSHE

In PSHE we will be learning about staying safe in the sun. We will also think about our emotions and how we can deal with how we are feeling in positive ways.

Computing

In Computing we will learn how to create bar charts using online software.

Music

Through investigation, pupils will choose and group instruments whose sounds depict the images of light and dark. They will then use these to create a sound backdrop to a video of a fireworks display.



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Art

In Art we will learn how to use different shades using lots of different art mediums.

Science

In Science we will learn how shadows are created. We will also find out about nocturnal animals.

English

In English we will write instructions about travelling through a fantasy island. We will also write non-chronological reports about nocturnal animals.

Dance

We will investigate how electricity travels, representing this through physical movement and creating a ripple effect.

Drama

Based on 'things that go bump in the night', we will listen to, identify and re-create sound effects, using our imaginations to suggest what the sounds might be. Children will work together to create a performance, based on the idea of a sleepover at a friend's house, where they encounter strange noises in the night!

Important dates:

PE: Y2S – Tuesday & Friday Y2K – Tuesday & Thursday

These are our usual PE days but we recommend keeping PE kits in school all week as the days can change.

2nd - 4th March – Parents invited into class to read with children at 2.45pm

5th March – World Book Day (can you decorate an apple as a character from a book?)

