Picknalls First School This half term the Year 2 topic will be Famous People from the Past Please help your child to explore this topic



Art. We will be using charcoal, pencil and pastel to create art.

We will be learning about Henri Matisse and working in his style.



ICT. Using BGFL, we will learn to create a topic-based e-book. We will develop the skills of using images from a shared image bank and adding text. We will retrieve saved work from My Files in J2e, edit it and save it again.

History

In history we will be following three famous people in chronological order. We will begin with Queen Elizabeth I, next we will move on to The Great Fire of London and explore the diaries of Samuel Pepys, finally we will learn about the work of Florence Nightingale. MUSIC Using BBC School radio Learning songs about the great fire of London.

RHE Keeping & Staying Healthy by washing hands and using medicines.

RE: Worship and ceremonies...how do people use actions, gestures and rituals in daily life and special gatherings?

Science. Exploring Materials.

We aim to be able to identify a variety of materials and sort them according to a variety of criteria. We will identify that some materials can change shape by squashing, bending, stretching and twisting, and others can't. We will identify different products that can be made from wood and their features and purposes.

PE. We will continue with gymnastics. Taking gymnastic sentences from the floor to the apparatus. We will be improving our techniques for travel, jumps and balances.

English

During this half term, we will be focusing or diary writing and non fiction texts. The children will investigate what a diary is and why Samuel Pepys' diaries were so important. We will then move on to non fiction texts where the children will create their own information booklets about Florence Nightingale, class books about Queen Elizabeth I and eye witness reports of The Great Fire of London. There will continue to be a strong focus on spelling, grammar and punctuation. Phonics will continue to be taught daily.

Maths



In Money, we will be counting money, making amounts and finding change.

In multiplication and division, we will be making and adding equal groups, writing multiplication sentences and using arrays. We will be grouping and sharing. We will focus on the 2 times table, dividing by 2 as well as doubling and halving.