

### English

Our fiction writing focus this term is a **journey story**, using the text '**Vlad and the Florence Nightingale Adventure**'. We will be exploring the structure of a story alongside focusing on the features of characterisation, before then writing our own journey stories based upon the text. We will then move onto our non-fiction focus - writing recounts in the style of **biographies**. We will be using texts based upon the lives of Florence Nightingale and Mary Seacole to support this. We will be continuing with our daily Talk Through Stories and phonics lessons.

### History

History is at the heart of our topic this term. Pupils will be learning about the lives of **Florence Nightingale** and **Mary Seacole**, and appreciating how both made our lives better today. We will be engaging in a **comparison study**, investigating the similarities and differences between both nurses and their lives. Children will recognise that as a result of the amazing work of both women many years ago, we celebrate **International Nurses Day** every year on Florence Nightingale's birthday. Finally, pupils will understand that we have a king who rules us and we have had a king or queen for many years, including when Mary Seacole and Florence Nightingale were alive - **Queen Victoria**.

### PE

We will be continuing working on **functional movement skills** such as throwing, kicking and striking. We will improve these skills through playing lots of games. Pupils will also be doing **tag rugby** this term.

### RE

In RE we begin by looking at '**Belonging**' where children will learn what it means to belong, and are introduced to the Sacrament of Baptism. Children will then move onto the topic '**Waiting**'. Children will begin to understand that advent is a time of waiting in joyful hope for Jesus; that it encourages believers to wait for Christ who comes each day and who will come in a special way at the end of time.

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## Angels of Mercy

### Music

Our learning in music this term will be focussed around **Rhythm in the Way We Walk** (Reggae style) and **Banana Rap** (Hip Hop style). Children will listen and appraise other styles of music and continue to embed the interrelated dimensions of music through games and singing. We will also be very busy getting ready for our **Christmas production!**

### Art

In Art this term, children will be exploring art through the use of IT. Children will be using a paint package on the iPads to create lanterns inspired by Florence Nightingale's own lantern. We will be learning how to use the painting program to create a simple picture, using tools like fill and brushes, and how we can go back and change our picture.

### Maths

We will begin by continuing with our '**addition and subtraction**' within 10 unit. We will be exploring subtraction and finding all eight facts within a fact family. We will then move onto **geometry** where we will be recognising, naming and sorting **2D and 3D shapes**. This will be a very practical unit, with lots of opportunities for learning using many resources.

### Computing

In Computing, pupils will be focusing their learning on **algorithms**. We will be finding out what an algorithm is and programming BeeBots to support our understanding. Pupils will also be creating their own algorithms, and using BeeBots to carry these algorithms out. Children will have an **Online Safety** lesson, whereby the focus is Pause for People: learning how to say goodbye to technology, even when we don't want to.