

Geography

In Geography, the children will be exploring the life of Christopher Columbus; the great explorer. They will follow his journey around the seven continents, seas and oceans of the world, exploring some of the key landmarks and traditions. They will then locate countries on the globe, atlases and maps using key directional language.

English

Y2 will start this half-term by reading our class book 'The green ship' Quentin Blake. Linking to our topic, we will closely observe the adventures Christopher Columbus has had. Then using our class story we will be planning a biography all about Christopher Columbus. Our main focus will be using expanded noun phrases within our writing.

For our second text we will be writing a fictional adventure story. We will use our text 'Green Ship' and create our own marvellous stories about great explorers.

Music

This half term, pupils will be given the opportunity to perform and compose using their bodies, voices and percussion instruments. They will also learn to read simple rhythmic notations.

Design and Technology

In our design and technology lessons, pupils will design a pouch suitable for Christopher Columbus on his voyage. Pupils will learn how to sew a running stitch with regular-sized stitches, prepare and cut fabric from a template and decorate it with the materials provided.

P.E

In P.E, our two main areas of focus will be 'Target Games' and 'Fitness'.

In target games, pupils develop their understanding of the principles of defending and attacking. They develop the skills of throwing, rolling and striking towards a target and are given opportunities to select and apply the appropriate action.

In fitness lessons, pupils will begin to explore and develop agility, balance, co-ordination, speed and stamina. Pupils will be given the opportunity to work independently and work with others.

Science

This half term, Year 2 will continue to learn about animals including humans. We will start by observing key characteristics of living things. We will then classify and organise animals into groups closely concentrating on vertebrates and invertebrates. We will finally learn about diets of different animals using scientific vocabulary.

PSHE

In PSHE, our focus will be around 'Changes'. We will look into what change means and will explore changes from growing from young to old. We will also identify strategies and where to go for help.

Which

continents and oceans did Christopher Columbus pass during his voyage?



The Green Ship
By Quentin Blake



Who was Christopher Columbus?
by Bonnie Bader

Maths

In maths, we will be learning to recognise money. We will start by finding our number bonds to 100. We will then strengthen our understanding about money by ordering and understanding the value of money. We will then move onto adding and taking away money. Continuing on from this we will learn how we can show the same amount of money in different ways. We will finish off by finding change and solving two step problems.

Computing

In computing, the children will be identifying information technology and how its responsible use improves our world in school and beyond.