



## Middle School - Autumn I 2024

### English, Language and Communication

- In English writing lessons, we will be looking at comic books and using them to help us learn about punctuation, alliteration, adjectives and sentence structure. We will be writing our own comic book strips too.
- In speaking, listening and communication lessons, students will develop and refine their confidence communicating with others focusing on asking questions to gain information.
- Students will read every day and develop key vocabulary and listening skills as well as daily phonics.

### Mathematics, Science and DT

- In Maths, we will be learning about number and calculation, measuring, telling and using the time and using money.
- In Science, we will be learning about the solar system. Through experiments we will observe the effects of gravity, phases of the moon and heat from the sun.
- In DT, we will be designing and making key fobs, looking at suitable materials and the use of templates.

### Personal Development and Physical Literacy

- In PE we will be taking part in dance and gymnastic activities thinking about use of space and body position. Students will also have the opportunity to take part in Racquet sports offsite.
- In ICT students will learn that computers need software to work; how to interact with other electrical device and understand the different types of software / applications which can be used on different devices.
- In PSHE we are thinking about Who I am, Self-esteem and personal qualities and what makes us part of a community.

### Opportunities to Learn About the World Around

- In RE, we will be looking at Saints and Heroes in the Christian tradition and will finish the term with a celebration of local heroes.
- In Humanities, we will be finding out what makes a true hero, where we find our local heroes and how to find reliable information.

### World of Work and Independent Living

In Food Studies, we will be learning how food and drink are fuel for the body. We will also be practicing the basic skills of cutting, grating and peeling while experimenting with the use of heat to cook.

### Engagement in the Arts

- In Music, we are developing our skills in listening and performing through signing and using jumble jam steel drums.
- In Art, students are learning about the 'POP art' style and the artist Andy Warhol and Roy Liechtenstein.

### Real Life Contexts

- Our topic this half term is... SUPERHEROES!
- We will be doing lots of learning outside the classroom to include; our farm, forest school, Ocean Cottage and helping in our garden.
- We are hoping to go on a trip to Calvert Exmoor, Rock & Rapid Adventures and Futures Farm in Woolacombe.