

Bitterns Parent Plan – Marooned- Summer 2021

Home Learning – It would be wonderful if the children could continue to read at home as frequently as possible. The children will also have a weekly spelling list; please could the children practice these ahead of their weekly spellings test

As mathematicians we will continue to develop our understanding of number, measurement and geometry. The children will explore measurement, looking at length and height, volume and capacity, and mass and weight. We will start to look at multiplication and division. We will continue to practice our ability to count in 2s, 5s and 10s.

Bittern's authors will focus on their ability to sequence sentences to from short narratives. We will continue to develop our handwriting, using the cursive style. We will also be exploring fiction, non-fiction and poetry books.

In RE Bitterns will. In RE we will develop our knowledge of Buddhism, Hinduism, Christianity and Islam. We will be focusing on the importance of prayer in the lives of Christians and Muslims.

Within computing, Bitterns will be learning all about algorithms and how we create them. We will also use the iPads to create short films. The children will have the chance to use the Bee Bots to explore programming in greater depth.

As scientists we will be learning about materials and their properties. We will be working scientifically by questioning, observing and classifying and performing simple tests. In line with our topic of Marooned the children will explore which materials are waterproof and which float. After half term we will begin our topic of animals.



As artists we will be inspired by the work of Paul Gauguin. We will focus on his artwork, depicting islands. We will then create our own island artwork using different resources such as paint, pastels and collage.

As historians we will be exploring famous pirates as well as explorers. We will in look in-depth at the lives of pirates Blackbeard and Anne Bonnie. After the Half-term we will focus our learning on famous explorers, particularly Christopher Columbus and Neil Armstrong, comparing their lives and achievements.

As geographers we will be looking at the United Kingdom as an island, exploring its human and physical geography. We will then compare this to a non – European island looking for similarities and differences. We will also continue to extend out geographical vocabulary.

Within Music, Bittern Class will be learning about sea shanties. We will be exploring different examples of sea shanties and learning and performing one such example. We will also be learning about the different dynamics of music through a focus on the theme tube to Pirates of the Caribbean.

This term our whole school core values, which underpin all our learning, are **Courage** and **Compassion**