

Communication

Poisonous potions, aromatic brews, vapour or a sticky goo... Welcome to the amazing world of potions! In English this half term the theme is Potions. This is a great opportunity for students to explore different ingredients and how compatible they are with each other. We will be looking at writing shopping lists, instructions and recipes for making a smoothie. Students will follow a set of instructions through writing, visual representation / dual coding to promote reading skills, and sequencing to produce an end goal.

Creativity – Art

This half term students will be exploring the natural and organic structures within nature. Such as plants and animals.

We will build skills in photography, observational drawing, clay, and print making inspired by the works of naturalist and photographer Karl Blossfeldt and ceramicist Rachel Dein.

My World – Science

In science we will be looking at changes of state, we will be exploring how heating or cooling materials can bring about a change of state. This fits perfectly into our topic of potions! We will look at placing ice cubes into our drinks and watching the melting process - a solid changing into a liquid. Placing our smoothies into the freezer - a liquid changing into a solid. Making a hot drink and observing evaporation - a liquid changing into a gas. We will consider what the word 'temperature' measuring how hot or cold something is.

Understanding Me and My Relationships

We will be looking at good and bad relationships, and private and public. It is crucial our students understand the changes their bodies are going through, as well as how this might make them feel. We will also be looking at what the social expectations of public and private mean for us.

My World – Humanities

This half term we will be investigating how potions were used in the past for both everyday medicinal and magical reasons.



Creativity – Music

This half term, pupils will continue to build on performance and listening skills by listen to and playing along with “magical” music, such as themes from the Harry Potter franchise. We will also be creating our own musical mixtures using music technology.

My World – Food Technology

This half term students will be creating foods based on potions and Alice in Wonderland. Focussing on the skills of following the recipe independently, mixing and washing the dishes.

Reasoning

We will be continuing to look at money, moving on to calculating change. This topic will support students' numeracy, as well as supporting life skills targets around using money and buying things at the shops. We will use the skills learnt in class, during our Thursday morning trips to Sainsbury's, buying supplies for class and the animals in school.

Physical Development

This half term we will be looking at gymnastics and how to develop control of the body as well as executing gymnastic skills.