

English



Year 3

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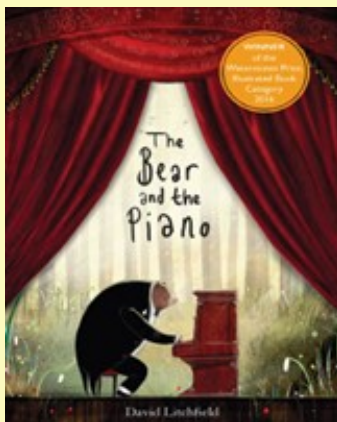
Maths

“Our community, growing and learning together with Christ”

The Bear and the Piano

Fiction Unit: Narrative Adventure

One day, a young bear stumbles upon something he has never seen before in the forest. As time passes, he teaches himself how to play the strange instrument, and eventually the beautiful sounds are heard by a father and son who are picnicking in the woods. The bear goes with them on an incredible journey to New York! A moving tale of exploration and belonging that will guide our children on a lovely journey to write effective sentences that form a short narrative along with other outcomes.



Wisp

Fiction Unit: Narrative: A story of Hope

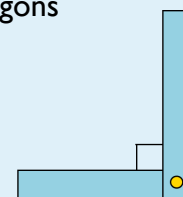
Idris lives in a refugee camp which is full of people, but where everyone is alone. There are no rivers or seas to swim in and no trees to give shade. One day, a tiny, bright wisp appears in the dirt: an insect-size glowing light that, when it finds the right person, fills them with a memory of their life before the refugee camp: a memory that gives them just a little hope once again.

Skills: subordinating conjunctions, use of past and present tense, clear description of character and setting and maintaining legibility in handwriting.

Spelling Focus: words with short /i/ sound spelt 'y', adding suffixes beginning with a vowel (ed/er/ing/en/ing), creating negative meanings using the prefix – mis, words with a /k/ sound spelt with a 'ch'.

Right Angles:

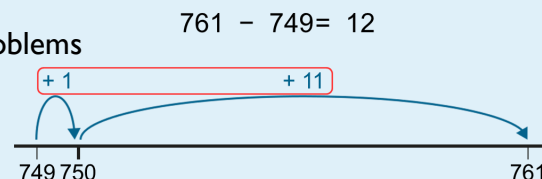
Rotate two lines around a fixed point to make different sized angles
Draw triangles and quadrilaterals and identify vertices
Learn that a right angle is a 'square corner' and identify them in the environment
Learn that a rectangle is a 4-sided polygon with four right angles
Learn that a square is a rectangle in which the four sides are equal length
Cut rectangles and squares on the diagonal and investigate the shapes they make
Join four right angles at a point using different right-angled polygons
Investigate and draw other polygons with right angles



Right angle

Mental Calculation:

add two 3-digit numbers using partitioning
add two 3-digit numbers using adjusting
add a pair of 2- or 3-digit numbers using redistribution
subtract a pair of 2- or 3-digit numbers, bridging a multiple of 10, using partitioning
subtract a pair of 2-digit numbers, crossing a ten or hundreds boundary, by finding the difference between them
subtract a pair of three-digit multiples of 10 within 1000 by finding the difference between them
accurately and efficiently solve multi-step addition and subtraction problems
understand and can explain that both addition and subtraction equations can be used to describe the same additive relationship (2-digit numbers)
use knowledge of the additive relationship to rearrange equations



Art

Craft & Design:

Exploring Ancient Egyptian art work by looking and designing scrolls, paper and making zines. All with an Egyptian focus!



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Computing

Computing systems and networks:

Journey inside a computer. We shall learn to recognise basic inputs and outputs. Decompose a laptop and understand the purpose of the computer parts.

D.T.

Mechanisms:

Pneumatic toys. To delve into mechanical system we shall design a toy, create the parts, assemble it and test it against our design criteria.

Geography

North America:

This half term we shall locate North America on a map including the latitude and longitude, locate the USA and explain its name and understand the Rockies.

History

Ancient Egypt:

Looking at this civilisation through sources and artefacts to decipher meaning and gain a greater understanding of the ancient world.

MFL & Music

French:

Numbers 0-20, age and the French Alphabet.

Developing Singing:

Improving technique with the theme of Vikings.

P.E.

Invasion:

Handball and communication. When, where and why we should pass. How to pass the ball and combine passing and dribbling.

P.S.H.E.

Religious Understanding, Personal Relationships: Me, my body, my health, Keeping Safe & Emotional Wellbeing.

Religion

Christmas: The story of the shepherds provides a focus for children to reflect on the birth of Jesus and who he is.

Prayer: The prayer life of Jesus and reflecting on the ways we prayer with the signs and symbols.

Science

Forces and Magnets:

Compare how things move on different surfaces. Notice that some forces need contact between two objects, but magnetic forces can act at a distance.