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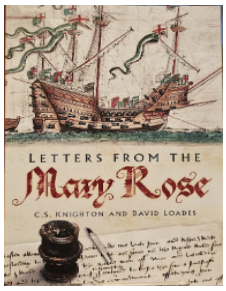
St John the Baptist C of E Primary School

'Creating new possibilities for our future, with compassion in our hearts and courage on our journey.'

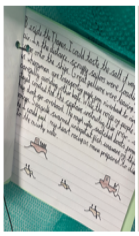
Autumn 2 - Learning Overview

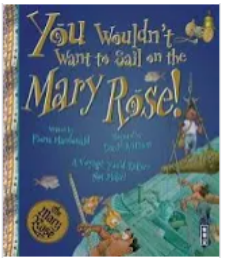
The Hook

A message in a bottle describes the commissioning of Henry VIII's beloved ship the Mary Rose. What materials were needed to construct this incredible war ship? What skills were needed? In this unit of work we investigate the lives of all those involved in the construction, maintenance and sailing of this historical ship. Our Second learning journey will explore poetry based on the sea. We will experiment with figurative language, poetic techniques as well as emotive vocabulary to communicate our ideas.







What was the ship's timeline?	What was the Mary Rose made of and how much did she cost to build?	Was Henry the Eighth a great leader of war?	What was it like being a sailor on the Mary Rose?

What we will be teaching:

English:

We will be writing a non-chronological report this half term. Our rehearsal writing will include writing an inventory of some of the resources needed for constructing a ship in Tudor times (using historical vocabulary) and a letter to the King. We will be using the passive voice to emphasise the object of an action and to sound more formal in our sentences. We will also use adverbials to create cohesion in our writing and extend our current understanding of relative clauses by incorporating whose and whom. Using a thesaurus, we will carefully select synonyms for effect. Being aware of our audience and purpose will help us understand reasons for our chosen tone and genre.

Maths:

In Maths we will consolidate multiplication and division methods and include decimals. We will focus on fractions including equivalents, comparing fractions, adding and subtracting fractions with same and different denominators. We will explore how Maths is used in daily life and how knowing our multiplication tables helps us solve multipart problems with efficiency. During this half term we are aiming to develop our arithmetic skills.

History/Geography:

In History we will be focussing on the significance of the Mary Rose and how it has informed us of Tudor life and changed our defense strategies. We will be looking carefully at how historians build a picture of the past by using artefacts and accounts. In Geography we will ask: How well connected are we with the rest of the world?

Where do our consumables come from?
How does my local area make money? How does Southampton Port differ from Portsmouth?

PDL: We will focus on valuing differences.

Science:

In science we will focus on how light behaves.

ART/DT:

In DT we will design a food item for a medical need. In Art we will explore the work of Lowry and use one point perspectives. We will compare this to the work of other artists using vanishing points and one point perspective such as Suruga Cho and Cynthia Cryer. We will ask how narratives are created in building styles and the detail in each visual environment.

RE:

We will explore the two birth narratives found in the Gospels of Matthew and Luke and explore how they differ.

Computing: We will be looking at Web page creation.

PE:

Basketball We will apply aspects of fitness to the game, such as strength and power. **Dance** We will bring performance skills to their work and interpret.

French: French Spelling, etymology and pronunciation Topics: The alphabet, greetings and phrases and numbers 1-31.

Music:

We will be decoding sound and notation.

Messages to parents:

Remember to check the St John's jottings weekly for dates of upcoming events in school. This is emailed each Friday and is designed to keep our community up-to-date on important events in school.

Thank you for your continued support.

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