

English:

- reading *Leon and the Place Between* by Angela McAllister, and using it to inspire our own story writing.
- using role play and hot-seating activities to fuel our imaginations.
- learning about different words types and using them in our writing confidently.
- learning to use conjunctions to extend our sentences.
- learning to different punctuation in our writing, including commas.
- writing for different purposes, including story writing and persuasive writing.

Computing:

In computing we will be:

- Learning about shapes and patterns using algorithms.
- Children will be programming a robot or roamer to complete a sequence and draw patterns or shapes.

Art & Design:

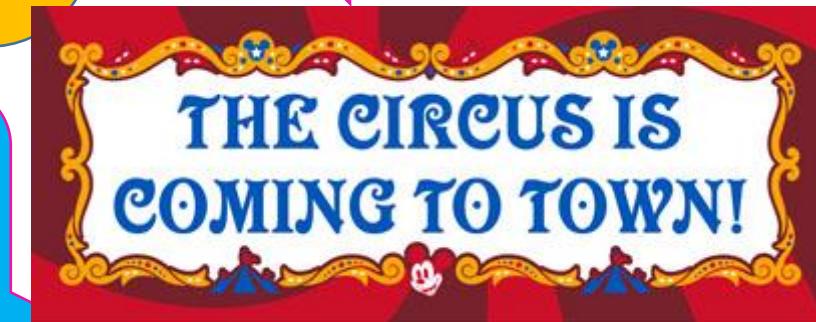
- looking at the work of famous artists who painted circus art and producing our own.
- creating circus big tops.
- using different equipment and techniques to construct our own trapeze artists.

Humanities:

- learning about circuses from the past and different kinds of circus performance.
- writing from the perspective of a circus performer in the past.
- Learning about the different continents and oceans. As the performers of an imaginary circus we will travel around the world.
- learning to use mapping skills to design our own circus.

Science:

- learning about the offspring of different animals and how they grow into adults.
- investigating the needs of animals to survive.
- exploring the importance of exercise, diet and hygiene for humans.



To make this topic even more relevant, and ensure the knowledge sticks, the children will:

be taking part in circus role play and having a range of quizzes and retrieval activities to help their learning.

Music:

In music this half term we will begin the 'Music Express' curriculum and build on our percussions skills from last half term. We will begin by reading simple music and gradually begin to compose our own pieces.

Personal, Health, Social and Citizenship:

Our Jigsaw topic this half term will be 'Celebrating Difference.'

RE:

- learning about the saint of our school-St. Jude
- discussing the importance of light at Christmas
- recognising symbols behind Christingle
- identifying how light is used to show holiness
- retelling the story of the Wise Men
- continuing to revisit our school values.

Maths:

This half term we will be learning about:

- learning to add and subtract in different ways, including: a two-digit number and ones; a two-digit number and tens; two two-digit numbers; adding three one-digit numbers.
- exploring money, using different coins to make a certain value.
- securing our knowledge of 2, 5 and 10 times tables.
- solving problems involving multiplication and division.