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<u>Green Class Curriculum Letter – Spring Term – Mr Dickin</u>

Welcome back! I hope you have had a wonderful Christmas break with your families and are looking forward to a new year filled with great experiences and interesting learning. This half term, we will be engaging in two separate learning experiences, the first of which is titled Take Action! This will give children the opportunity to study our local area and identify possible ways in which it could be improved. Our second learning experience will be a collaborative learning journey with other partnership schools in which we will develop our very own TED Talks! This will be planned in the first week back so more information on that will follow in due course.

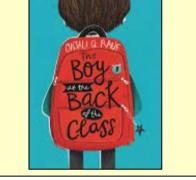
Literacy - Reading, Writing and Comprehension

This half term, we will be reading the book The Boy at the Back of the Class and our shared reading will all be around this text. We will also be using a short video clip to base our writing on. This will provide children with a stimulus from which to produce some engaging, suspenseful narratives.

Children will then use their learning about our local area to write their own persuasive letters to the local council. We will carry out some fieldwork before deciding on a key issue that needs resolving. This will form the subject for our persuasive letters.

Quality texts which will be used to enhance learning:

Our main quality text for this half term is:



Geography

In Geography, children will learn about our local area. We will study some key geographical features of Chichester and look at how this affects land use and human activity. Children will also begin to study the local area and think about areas for development and possible solutions for these. This will then give them a stimulus for their letter writing.

Computing

Children will learn to use microsoft powerpoint to develop their own presentations on our local area. They will input their information, develop engaging animations and transitions and consider the coherence and structure of their presentation. Finally we will look at how notes can be used to support our presentations.

English

In English children will be working on their persuasive writing. We will look at features of persuasive writing including rhetorical questions, hyperbole and emotive language and then apply these to write our own letters of persuasion to the local council.

Music

In Music this half term, children will be preparing for our United Voices concert rehearsing the songs ready for the performance. We will also be looking at pop ballads singing and playing an accompaniment to these.

Maths Recognise and describe hundredths as part of a whole **Represent hundredths as decimal fractions Compare and order hundredths** Partition hundredths in different ways Calculate up to and bridging tenths Calculate using column addition and subtraction Round hundredths to the nearest tenth Round hundredths to the nearest whole number Multiply proper fractions b whole numbers Multiply improper fractions by whole numbers Multiply mixed numbers by whole numbers Find unit fractions of amounts Find non-unit fractions of amounts Explain why the product stays the same when one factor is doubled and the other is halved Explain the effect on the product when scaling the factors by the same amount Use their knowledge of equivalence when scaling factors to solve problems Explain the effect on the quotient when scaling the dividend and divisor by 10 Explain the effect on the quotient when scaling the dividend and divisor by the same

amount

Explain how to multiply a three-digit by a two-digit number

Explain how to accurately use the method of long multiplication to multiply two, twodigit numbers (no regressing of once to tone)

Adults in Green Class

Mr Dickin (Class Teacher) Miss Pattinson(Learning Support Assistant) Mrs Baker (Learning Support Assistant) Mrs Gilbert (PPA Cover Teacher)

Assessments

NFER (October 2023 & June 2024) Year 5. Ongoing assessment and SATS (May 2025) Year 6 P.E.

PE will be on a Wednesday and Friday . Children are to wear their PE kit to school so they do not need to come into school in their uniform.

Ideas for supporting your child's learning:



Read with your child (and to your child!) every day – make it a part of your daily routine; be it at breakfast time, bedtime or somewhere in between. It makes a HUGE difference to their confidence and enjoyment!



When reading, question your child on what is happening to check their comprehension, discuss their favourite part/character and why this is.



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Encourage your child to use TTRockstars to practise and recall their times tables and complete their homework on Atom learning.

With very best wishes, *Mr Dickin*





Chichester and the Surrounding Area – Knowledge Organiser

Key Vocabulary

- Geography: The study of the Earth's physical features, environments, and the relationships between people and their environments.
- Urban: Relating to a city or town. Chichester is an urban area with a rich history.
- Rural: Relating to the countryside. The region surrounding Chichester features stunning rural landscapes.
- Heritage: The traditions, achievements, and beliefs that are part of the history of a particular place or people, including the historical buildings in Chichester.
- Civilisation: A complex society featuring urban development, social stratification, cultural norms, and a shared system of values.
- Landmark: A significant or historic building or site that serves as a point of interest. Examples in Chichester include the Cathedral and the Market Cross.
- Biodiversity: The variety of plant and animal life in a particular habitat. The areas around Chichester, such as the South Downs, showcase diverse ecosystems.
- Economy: The system of production, consumption, and trade of goods and services in an area. Chichester has a mixed economy including retail, tourism, and agriculture.
- Transport Links: The networks that allow movement of people and goods, including roads, railways, and footpaths.
- Conservation: The act of preserving and protecting the natural environment and historical sites.
- Chichester Harbour: A designated Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty (AONB) known for its stunning landscapes, nature reserves, and rich biodiversity, including various species of birds and marine life.

Timeline of Important Events

- Roman Period (43 AD): The development of Chichester (then called Noviomagus) as a Roman settlement marked by the construction of a Roman road and amphitheatre.
- 11th Century: The building of Chichester Cathedral began in 1075, showcasing Gothic architecture.
- 1580: The Market Cross was built, serving as a central point for trade and community gatherings in Chichester.
- 19th Century: The expansion of rail transport with the opening of Chichester railway station in 1846, improving connections to other towns and cities.
- 1960s: Major restoration projects commenced to preserve historical sites and enhance city tourism in Chichester.
- 2005: The South Downs National Park was designated, protecting the natural landscape surrounding Chichester.
- 2010: Chichester Harbour was designated as an Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty, highlighting its importance for biodiversity and landscape quality.

Useful and Reliable Websites

- <u>Chichester District Council</u>: Offers information about local services, history, and events.
- <u>West Sussex County Council</u>: Provides details about local geography, history, and educational resources in West Sussex.
- <u>Visit Chichester</u>: A tourism-focused site featuring attractions, historical sites, and activities in and around Chichester.
- <u>South Downs National Park</u>: Information about the natural heritage and recreational opportunities in the South Downs area.
- <u>Chichester Harbour Conservancy</u>: Provides information about the conservation efforts and activities available in Chichester Harbour.

Interesting Facts

- Chichester Cathedral is notable for its unique 'starry night' ceiling and the largest collection of medieval tiled floors in the country.
- The city is the only settlement in England that has the title of city and county combined.
- Chichester's famous Festival Theatre, opened in 1962, offers a range of performances and attracts visitors from across the country.
- Chichester Harbour is home to a variety of marine life and is a significant site for birdwatching, especially during migration seasons.
- The area around Chichester is home to many rare species of plants and animals, thanks to the protection provided by the South Downs National Park.

Endpoints – What Students Should Know

By the end of this topic, students should be able to:

- Identify key geographical features of Chichester and its surrounding area.
- Explain the historical significance of Chichester, including its Roman roots and notable landmarks.
- Describe the biodiversity found in the region, particularly in the South Downs National Park and Chichester Harbour.
- Understand the importance of transport links in the development of Chichester.
- Discuss the role of conservation in preserving historical and natural heritage in the region.
- Reflect on how Chichester's economy is influenced by its geography and historical context.