

BISHOPS CASTLE PRIMARY SCHOOL
Starlings Class Medium Term Planning



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Drivers and Values

Curriculum Drivers

Confident Communicator

Widening Horizons

Growth Mindset

Healthy Body, Healthy Mind

School Values

Ready, Respectful, Safe

BRITISH VALUES

Mutual Respect and tolerance

Showing respect for ourselves
and others and expecting it in
return

Individual Liberty

Making choices and knowing,
understanding and exercising
rights and personal freedoms in
a safe and supportive space

National Curriculum

As Writers, we will be writing a finding tale using the model text 'Adventure at Sandy Cove' focusing on dialogue. We will then move onto writing a persuasive advert.

As Readers, we will be exploring 'What's that in dog years?' by Ben Davis in our ERIC lessons. We will also explore our interests through a range of non-fiction texts. At some point in the school day, we will also have a story time to delve into a variety of different books.

As Mathematicians, we will focus on place value and the 4 operations (addition, subtraction, multiplication and division).

As Scientists, we will be investigating the properties of materials. Some of the things we will be investigating are: rocks, fossils and solubility.

As Geographers, we will be researching about natural disasters and tectonic plates in our topic 'Angry Earth'.

As Artists, we will be researching, evaluating and creating our own observational drawing using Claude Monet and David Hockney as inspiration.

As Musicians, we will be learning about structure, tempo and dynamics through song.

In PE, we will develop our knowledge and skills in football and fitness.

In Computing, we will be using Teach Computing to understand computing systems and networks.

In RE, we will look at understanding Christianity and explore the question 'What does it mean if Christians believe God is holy and loving?'

In PSHE, we will be starting the year looking our ourselves in the topic 'Being Me in My World'.