



Driving Question:

How could we, as citizens, learn from heroes of the past?

Launch:

To launch our topic, we will be solving the mystery of Traction Man. We will work as a class to follow the clues and solve who is missing within this superhero mystery.

Overview:

In our new topic, we will be thinking like a superhero! We will explore fictional superheroes including Traction Man and Supertato and will be creating our own superhero stories. We will also be looking at real life superheroes and what we can learn from them.



Art
We will be studying the work of Monet and creating collages using different techniques.

History
We will be learning about different historical heroes from the past.

English
We will be exploring the narrative of Traction Man.

Science
We will be observing the seasonal changes of Spring and Summer as well as learning all about plants.

Vocabulary:

superhero
sidekick
transform
costume
disguise
flying
invisibility
villain
characteristics
past
heroic
brave

Learning conversations to have at home:

Please discuss with your child the difference between past and present. You could also discuss your family from the past and create a family tree, whilst discussing the subject.

You could go to a museum and find out about people from the past and talk about them.

Topic Home learning:

Use a design sheet to draw and create a superhero. Think about what the superheroes superpowers would be, give the superhero a name and write a short description of the superhero. We will send a sheet home for you to use.

Due in Monday 20th May 2024



Future Careers:

We will explore the job roles of people from the past and make links to careers in modern society. We will look at careers that will allow us to be modern day heroes such as nurses, police officers and politicians.

Landing:

We will create a comic strip showing other children how they can be a hero at Jewell Academy!

Reading

This term our first key text is 'Traction Man' by Mini Grey. Traction Man is a superhero who is always saving the day! Unfortunately, one day his confidence takes a huge knock when he is given a new outfit. Can Traction Man ever become a hero again?

Can you think of another character in a different book who is similar to Traction Man?

How could Traction Man save himself from the shark at the end of the story?



What is your favourite part of the story?

Do you think toys can really come to life and save the day? Why?

English

- ★ Coordinating conjunctions e.g. and, but, so
- ★ Subordinating conjunctions e.g. because
- ★ Suffixes -ing and -ed

How can you help at home?

- Read with your child 5 times a week.
- Ask your child to recount their trip to the farm - can they order events?
- Ask your child to tell you facts about a [continent they have learnt about](#).

Maths

- ★ Division and Multiplication
- ★ Fractions
- ★ Position and Direction.

How can you help at home?

- Share items to find half by sharing between two.
- Share items to find a quarter by sharing between four. Discuss these examples of how to [find a quarter of a shape](#).

Science

We will be learning about the seasonal changes in Spring and Summer as well as identifying and naming trees and plants.

History

We will be looking at heroic people and events from beyond living memory.

PSHE

We will be learning about 'Relationships'. We will be talking about family, friendships and ourselves.

Computing

We will be learning about e-safety and using our Creator Space to explore at 3D printing.

Forest School

We will be planting sunflowers and measuring the height as they grow.

Music

We will be learning about different types / genres of music through our theme 'Having fun with improvisation'.

Art

We will be looking at the work of Monet and creating collages using different techniques.

Physical Education

We will be learning racket and ball skills and we will be working on our athletic skills.

Spanish

We will be learning to say 7 key places in a town.

Religious Education

We will follow the enquiry question: What might Sanatanis learn from the story of Rama and Sita and the celebrations of Diwali?

Dates for the diary

Superhero Day - Friday 24th May 2024 - Come to school dressed as a superhero or a real life hero!