

# Mini-beasts and Pirates

Year Two  
Summer Term 2022



## Key Areas of Learning

As historians, we will research and discover the adventures of two notorious pirates Edward Teach, better known as Black Beard, and Ann Bonny. We will investigate: what their lives were like; where they travelled and what they ate.

As geographers, we will compare Africa to the United Kingdom locating them both on a world map and compare their climates, landscapes and human activity. We will be locating different places in the world thinking about their climates and develop our map reading skills to be able to read and produce maps using our own symbols.

As scientists, we will explore, identify and describe living things and their habitats. We will look at animals in different climates thinking about how they have adapted to live in them.

### English

As readers, we will be studying the vocabulary and punctuation that an author has used in our class stories. We will use a dictionary and thesaurus to learn the meaning of new vocabulary.

As writers, we will be inspired by our class story *Traction Man* by **Mini Grey** to write a range of descriptive pieces thinking carefully about our choice of extended noun phrases. Later in the term we will be inspired by our class stories: *African Tales* by **Gcina Mhlophe** and *Rachel Griffin*; *How the Zebra got his Stripes* by **Ron Fones** and *Bringing the Rain to Kapiti Plain* by **Verna Aardema** and *Beatriz Vidal* to write a non-chronological report and fact sheet.

### Maths

As mathematicians, we will deepen our understanding of fractions to be able to find fractional amounts of a quantity or shape and we will be able to represent a given fraction pictorially. We will be able to add and subtract fractions and place a given fraction on a number line. We will measure length, mass and capacity using standard and non-standard units of measure. We will describe the location of a given object, its rotation and direction using the correct mathematical language. We will also apply our mathematical knowledge of length, time, mass, capacity and temperature to solve a range of real life problems. Throughout the term, we will consolidate our number and place value understanding.

### Computing

In computing, we will become Zoologists who will collect, record and organise data. We will also become onscreen Pirates, creating and programming our very own Pirate themed sprite.

### Art and DT

We will investigate a range of mediums and techniques including watercolour and sculpt with clay. We will prepare salads, fruit and vegetables. Later in the term, we will construct a moving axle to incorporate in our own vehicles that we have designed.

### PSHE

In PSHE, we are learning about relationships thinking about what it means to be part of a family, and discussing why it is important. Our Summer Two jigsaw puzzle is called *Changing Me* and we will be thinking about some of our physical and emotional changes that are taking place.

### RE

During our RE lessons, we are learning about the significance of food and water in different religions and how religious followers show an appreciation for food and water.

### PE

In Physical Education, we will be continuing to develop our striking and ball control skills whilst playing a range of net games- including Tennis. This term, we will build our core muscle strength and agility abilities during our Yoga and Athletics sessions.

### Music

As musicians, we will be exploring music through the theme of friendship by listening to and composing our own music pieces.

### Experiences

We will have our own Pirate Dress Up day in school.  
Windsor Castle Trip

### Whole School Events / Themes

Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> April - Open House Event  
Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> May- Visiting Theatre Visit  
Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> May- Queen Platinum Jubilee Celebrations  
Friday 27<sup>th</sup> May- Author Visit Workshops  
Monday 7<sup>th</sup> June- Friday 10<sup>th</sup> June Book Week  
Monday 4<sup>th</sup> July- Sports Day



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