

THE BEDIFFERENT FEDERATION Subject Themed Days 2023-2024

Rationale

To ensure that all foundation subjects receive dedicated, high quality teaching time, several subjects will now be taught in discrete themed days. Each half term, teachers will plan and deliver a dedicated Art and Design day, a Geography themed day, a Music day, a Religious Education themed day and a Citizenship day. Citizenship will encompass Mental Fitness, the BeDifferent Future curriculum and our Strength Lies in Difference curriculum. In the summer term, we will include additional History and Science themed days, to raise the profile of these subjects too. These themed days will be given an overarching focus linked to the National Curriculum. It is essential that we are able to demonstrate a progression in the skills children develop as they move through the school as well as ensuring that they remember the knowledge they have acquired.

Implementation

Moving forward, we will plan a maximum of 5 themed days per half term. Each day will be delivered in two halves, allowing an opportunity to revisit the learning from the first half within the second session. Teachers will have flexibility within a designated fortnight to plan their two half days, to allow for better access to resources. We ask that you vary the days that you plan for your themed afternoon to ensure that those children with the poorest attendance have the chance to be able to access the appropriate learning when they are in school.

In addition, we will timetable a weekly 'soundbyte' check, during which we will provide children with an opportunity to revise and remember the learning outcomes from their previous themed days.



Themes Chosen:

	Autumn 1	Autumn 2	Spring 1	Spring 2	Summer 1	Summer 2
Art / Design	11.10.2023 Back to the drawing board	28.11.2023 Famous artists and their styles	5.2.2024 Go big or go bust	Funky fabric	Freestyle!	
Geography	26.9.2023 Year 4- 28.9.2023 Going to the extreme	15.11.2023 Whatever the weather	8.1.2024 15.1.2024 Putting Mitcham on the map	Water, water everywhere		
Religious Education	5.10.2023 To belong or not to belong, that is the question	12.12.2023 Bring back the good times	22.1.2024 29.1.2024 What is religion?	You gotta have Faith	Hopelessly devoted	Virtuous values
Music	17.10.2023 How does music make you feel?	5.12.2023 Let's compose	8.1.2024 15.1.2024Stars in their eyes	Rhythm is a dancer	Re - e -wind	
Citizenship – Mental Fitness Strength Lies in Difference BeDifferent Future	20.9.2023 Regulation station! 19.10.2023 Dig it differently 4.10.2023 Cultural Kitchen-whole school Singlegate-Key Stage 1	8.11.2023 Friend or foe 20.11.2023 The Heat is On	22.1.2024 29.1.2024 When the going gets tough	From the other perspective	Stephen Lawrence day	Inside out Marine meltdown
History					A moment in time	
Science						Connect more!