

Birch Class Plans – Spring 1, 2017

English

Non-Fiction – Persuasive text (Children design & sell their futuristic vehicle)

Fiction – *Selkie* (Gillian McClure)

Poetry – Stories about imaginary worlds: The Jumblies (Edward Lear), The Titanic (Andrew Lewis) Creating Images – figurative & expressive language

Topic

Travel and Transport

How has transport changed? Early travel. A history of cars. George Stephenson and Trains. A history of flight. Comparing the past, present & future.

MFL – French

Learn transport vocabulary in French. Meeting and greeting.

Food Tech

Simple cupcakes, club sandwich, spinach strudel, scones, flapjacks, mini cookies

Science

Voltage and resistance

Compare the voltage drop across resistors connected in series in a circuit.

Compare and explain current flow in different parts of a parallel circuit.

Music

Class singing: 'Train whistle blowing', 'Wheels keep on turning etc.

We will be listening to and describing Jazz and Blues music on the theme of trains. We will also be working on rhythm.

Perform to other KS3 students!

RE

We are working on a topic on Life and Death. We will be learning about what Hindus and Christians believe about the soul, and what happens to it when we die.

Art

The Great Wave of Kanagawa. Transport illustrations (cartoon). Sail boat montage. Hot air balloon montage, 3D hot air balloon, Futuristic flying machine.

Computer Science

Digital Literacy

Using your Browser

Searching Online

Maths

Mental addition and subtraction. Time & data. Multiplication & division. Fractions. Place value

PSHE/Thrive

'How do we manage feelings'

Facial recognition, trust vs doubt, soothing music to foster creativity in class, 'potato' activity – we all have special features, imagination...

PE

Sport & Games

Use running, jumping, throwing and catching in isolation and in