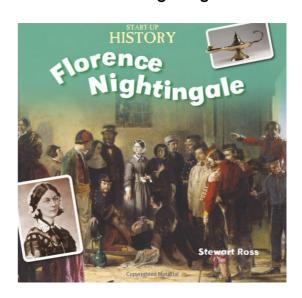


This Term Year 1 children the Polar Bear Class are learning all about a famous person. We have chosen to find out about the life of Florence Nightingale.

The Focus Text that we are using to prompt our literacy work is the non-fiction Start Up History book about Florence Nightingale. It has lots of facts and information about her life and introduces the children to key vocabulary.



We will be linking Florence Nightingales life into lots of other areas of the curriculum too.

For Design and Technology the children will be shown how to make stretchers for carrying injured soldiers. They will have to then make their own and test them out! In Art we will be looking at how Florence Nightingale was portrayed in paintings and engravings. We will be having a go at careful line drawings and painting her portrait.

For Geography we will find out where Florence was born and locate the hospitals that she worked in. We will use maps to locate these places and discuss how she travelled to these far off lands

Just like Florence the children will be learning how to work in a team. They will be learning about terms such as opponent and tactics.

In PE they will also be learning how to dance like Florence! Florence was born into a wealthy family and would have attended many balls in her youth. The children will be learning two Victorian dances. The Grand March and The Original Gallopade!

In History we will be using various historical sources to find out about Florence's Life. Eg. newsapapers, letters, paintings and a recording of her actual voice.

We will be looking at similarities and differences between her life and ours and how she has made an impact on our lives now.

We will create a timeline of her life to help us understand the era that she lived in. In Science we will be re-enacting two hospital scenes. One before Florence Nightingale came to the hospital and one after.

The children will learn their fate by acting out illnesses and the effects of infection. Hopefully this will bring science to life for them and make it more meaningful. Through this they will learn about the importance of clean hospitals, healthy food and patient well-being.

The children will also be learning about their five senses.

The focus in Music will be done through their dance. They will be listening to and following the beat. They will be listening to and commenting on music from Florence's era.

In ICT we will be using the internet to find out information about Florence and also creating word documents to display the information we have found out.

In RE and PSHE the children will be learning about caring for each other.

We will be talking about how a lot of Miracles performed by Jesus were to help sick people.