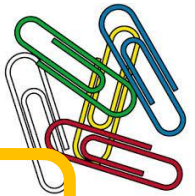


Year 4 Autumn Curriculum Overview



I would like to take this opportunity to welcome the children back to school and into Year 4. Outlined are the main topics that we will be learning about during the Autumn Term. Please don't hesitate to come and see me if you have any questions.

English

The areas covered this term will include *Greek Myths* by Marcia Williams as well as classic fiction such as *How To Train Your Dragon* by Cressida Cowell. We will also look at letters and biographies. Some skills that are taught this term are:

- * Describe characters and settings and plan stories.
- * Use appropriate features for different text types.
- * Use expanded noun phrases and adverbial phrases to give more detail
- * Use correct speech punctuation

We will also be linking our English work to our topic and Science work; therefore there will be many cross-curricular links.

Mathematics

We will be learning to:

- Understand place value in up to 4-digit numbers
- Count in multiples of 6, 25 and 1000
- use mental strategies for addition and subtraction
- use the column method including carrying and exchanging
- Using mental strategies for multiplication and division.
- Use expanded column method for multiplication and moving on to being compact.

Religion - This term, we will begin by looking at the story of Creation. We will hear and learn about some important stories from the Book of *Genesis*. We will explore some important images of God found in these stories and consider what it means for human beings to be made in the image and likeness of God. We will also look at Jesus teaching us how to pray. We will learn some prayers from the Old Testament as well as studying the Our Father, the prayer of the Rosary and some other forms of prayer. During Advent, we will learn about the ancestors of Jesus and that he was descended from the House of David. Through this work the children will be able to place the story of the first coming of Jesus into a historical context.



Science

In science the children will be learning about Animals including Humans. Children will be able to describe the simple functions of the basic parts of the digestive system in humans. They will identify the different types of teeth in humans and their simple functions. They will construct and interpret a variety of food chains, identifying producers, predators and prey. After half term, we will look at how sound is produced. We will learn about the important parts of the ear and their functions. We will plan, carry out and evaluate a range of fair tests.

Theme

Geography and History will be taught through the topic of Ancient Greece for the term. We will explore significant historical events, such as the first Olympics. We will know about the events of Troy and the difference between Athenian and Spartan civilisations. Using a range of resources, we will research this time period to find out what life was like. We will find out about who Alexander the Great was. We will identify physical and human features in Greece. We will use our design skills to plan and create a Greek pot using Mod-roc.

Art and Design Technology (DT)

Art and DT will link to our Ancient Greece topic this term. The children will explore art from this time and use their sculpting skills to make a vase from mod-roc. The children will use acrylic paint to carefully add detail to their design



PE: Outdoor PE will be Tag-Rugby and Cross-Country. In Tag-Rugby we will be practising our passing and defending skills as well as thinking about the role of a team and how we can play tactically. In Cross-Country we will be thinking about pace and stamina. Indoor PE will be gymnastics.

PSHE

PSHE will be taught through a mixture of standalone lessons and through our R.E. topics. We will explore friendships as well as how to behave towards others in real life and online.

P.E will be on a Monday and Friday Homework will be set online. Spellings test will also take place on a Friday.

We would like you to read at home at least three times a week.

Children need to wear their PE kits to school on a Monday and Friday.

Please ensure your child has a water bottle in school every day.