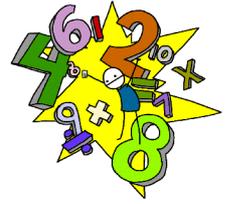


Year 4's Summer Curriculum Newsletter

MATHS

We will be continuing to develop our arithmetic skills throughout the term, especially multiplication tables recall. We are currently working on decimals and will soon move on to money and measures. After half term, we will focus on area, geometry and Roman numerals.



ENGLISH



Children will be writing stories with a focus on interweaving plot, character and setting with dialogue. They will also write play-scripts linked to a famous fairy-tale. Non-fiction work will include explanation writing and recounts. There will be strong focus throughout on using correct punctuation and grammar.

SCIENCE

Children will learn about states of matter (solids, liquids and gases) this term. They will learn that all matter fits into one of these groups, that each group has its own specific properties and that some materials can change between these states. As always, there will be plenty of opportunities to learn in a practical way.



GEOGRAPHY

This term, pupils will learn more about the geography of the United Kingdom. They will research the different regions, identify physical and human features and identify counties. There will be a strong emphasis on map-work, with the use of OS map symbols and grid references.

HISTORY

Our history will focus on the Anglo-Saxons and Scots. They will learn about invasions by the Anglo-Saxons and Scots after the Romans left Britain. They will find out about Anglo-Saxon settlements and the place-names from that time that still exist today. The art and culture of that time will also be covered.



DESIGN & TECHNOLOGY

This half term, Year 4 will be learning about the seasonality of food. They will discuss the benefits of eating seasonal produce and the issues that this might raise. Next half term, we will be using some of our knowledge of UK food in season to create some tasty dishes.

COMPUTING

Children will be using Logo, a simple programming language that controls a 'turtle' onscreen. They will learn how to create more effective searches when carrying out research. Later in the term, they will find out about computer hardware and discover what goes inside a computer to make it work. Computing will be taught by Mr Oxford this term.



PE

Year 4 will be swimming this term. All children will benefit, whether they are already able to swim or have never been to a pool before. These sessions will take place on Tuesday afternoons throughout the term.

PSHE

Children will learn to value themselves as individuals and to respect and develop an understanding of others. Our themes this term will be Relationships and Changing Me,



MUSIC



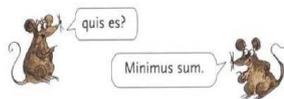
Weekly music lessons will continue this term. Children will learn to play the recorder and to read music at a basic level. They will be encouraged to compose their own tunes using the notes of the C Major scale.

RE

Ms Daley will teach RE this term, where children will be finding out about the teachings of Buddhism and the importance of forgiveness in Christianity.



LATIN



We will continue to learn about life in Roman Britain and how this ancient language affects the English we speak today and other languages throughout Europe.

AT HOME

Please hear your child read every day and encourage them to use Times Tables Rock Stars as often as possible. These are both key to ensuring successful learning. Many pupils are also subscribed to Lexia. If your child is one of these, please encourage them to use this too. If use at home is not possible, the local library has computers that can be used free of charge.

Written homework is set on Friday for completion by the following Wednesday. Encourage your child to present their homework neatly, using pen or pencil, and to use joined up handwriting. Spellings will also be sent home each Friday.

Mrs Downey