



Gusford Primary School Curriculum Information

Year 4 – Autumn 1

Kindness

Honesty

Respect

Confidence

Responsibility

English

In English our primary text is 'The Fire makers' Daughter' As readers, we will be developing our fluency of reading alongside our comprehension skills. We will learn how to retrieve precise vocabulary as well as information from the text

As writers, our book, 'The boy, the mole, the fox and the horse', we shall focus on building our narrative and suspense skills first before working on character and setting description.

Our non-fiction text will focus on writing a historical diary with facts from 'Secrets of The Sun King', which will include a range of grammatical features for effective writing.

Maths

As Mathematicians, we will be exploring the place value of numbers up to 10,000, including representing, saying, ordering and rounding them.

We will also be learning formal methods for adding and subtracting numbers including exchanging.

Learning our times tables is an important part of Year 4 maths, so we will begin to practise these to build our fluency and accuracy.

Science

As Scientists, we will learn about living things and their habitats.

We will learn that living things can be grouped in a variety of ways. We will use classification keys to help group, identify and name a living things in our local and wider environment.

We will also recognise that environments can change, positively and negatively, and that this can sometimes pose dangers to living things.

What can you do at home?

Read regularly – Try to read a different genre of book.
Can you create an erupting volcano?
Have a time table battle with a sibling or adult.

What can you do out and about?

Visit a library – see what events they may have.
Visit Christ church mansion for our learning about the Tudors.

History

As historians, we will be learning about the Tudor period to extend our knowledge of British history.

We will learn about the Tudor monarchy and where they fit on a historical timeline. We will explore their dress, food, crimes and punishments, illnesses and diseases as well as comparing life for richer and poorer people.

Art

As artists, we will begin by learning to draw objects to appear as though they are 3-dimensional, using shading to create light and shadow. We will then develop our ability to draw using proportion before creating images using scissors that we can use for printing.

RE

In RE this term, the focus faith will be Christianity. Through our learning, we will be able to discuss how Christians believe that God wants them to be peacemakers based on the example of Jesus.

PSHE

In PSHE we will be revisiting previous learning, focusing on explaining some things learnt in PSHE in Year 3, identifying activities we enjoy and help us learn and explaining why rules can help everyone feel safe in class. We will be reflecting on our school values, rights and zones of regulations.

Spanish

In Spanish, we will be learning how to talk about and introduce ourselves ('Me Presento').

We will also learn how to talk about where we live and our nationality.

Computing

In computing, we will learn about computing systems and networks, focusing on word processing and typing skills as well as how computers and networks work.

Project Evolve: Managing online information

Music

In music, we will be engaging in instrumental lessons, learning either the clarinet, trumpet or violin!

We will learn how to play different notes, including reading these notes within pieces of music, as well as developing our knowledge of rhythm and pulse. We will also be able to bring our instruments home to practice.

PE

In PE, we will be learning how to play invasion games, with a focus on basketball and learning how to send and receive the ball accurately.

We will also be practising our skills in gymnastics, with a focus on rolling and balancing.