



Gusford Primary School Curriculum Information

Autumn 1

Year 4

In Year 4 this half term, we will be settling into our new classes and getting to know each other. We will be learning all about the Romans in History and about sound in Science. We will enjoy starting our new instrumental lessons in music too!

English

As Readers, we will be focusing on the skills of retrieval and inference in our VIPERS sessions. We will work hard on improving our fluency and decoding in a range of texts.

As Writers, we will learn to write an engaging and interesting adventure story using accurate sentence structures. We will also explore poetry and using creative, descriptive ideas.

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 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 sound and find out how we hear noises around us.

We will find out how sounds are made and how sound travels from its source to our ears. We will explore patterns in the pitch of the sound and the object that produced it as well as how sound changes over a certain distance.

PSHE

Our focus this half term will be on relationships, focusing in particular on keeping something secret and recognising when to break a confidence and the benefits of healthy friendships.

We will also learn about acceptable and unacceptable physical contact as well as strategies for solving disputes with our friends.

We will also consider how to keep safe in the local area and online and people who help us to stay healthy and safe.

History

As historians, we will be learning all about the Romans! We will learn about their Empire and invasions, their lifestyles, achievements and beliefs and their impact and legacy on how we live today.

P.E.

In PE, we will be learning how to play invasion games, with a focus on hockey 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.

Design

In DT, we will be learning about structures known as 'pavilions'. We will consider the use of different materials and how we can use them to make a strong structure. We will use our learning about Roman construction and amphitheatres to inspire our designs!

Music

We will begin our instrumental lessons, learning either the clarinet, trumpet or violin!

During our lessons, we are learning to set up and play the instruments as well as reading music and learning about rhythm and pulse.

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.

R.E.

In RE this half term, we will be learning about Judaism. We will learn about the key beliefs, places of worship and special artefacts of Judaism as well as the celebration of Rosh Hashanah.

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.

We will also begin our learning this year by refreshing our understanding of how to be safe online.