

Art

In Art, the children will improve their mastery of art and design with the development of techniques using paint. They will be painting in the style of an Ancient Greek vase.

Computing

This term, the children will build their digital literacy by creating data handling using numbers and data loggers on Keynote and Pages.

PE

This term, the children will develop their athletics skills and the use of their running, jumping, throwing and catching. In addition to this, the children will learn the rules and skills involved in tag rugby and begin to apply basic principles suitable for attacking and defending.

Science

In science, the children will be learning about rocks and identifying different kinds of rock using appearance and physical properties. They will also look at how fossils are formed when things that have lived are trapped.

Physical, Social, Emotional Health and Well Being

The children will focus on relationships, thinking about how other people impact on us and how we impact on them. They will look at reasons why people may experience a range of feelings associated with personal loss.

What we are learning:

The topic for this half term is 'Ancient Greece'.

The children will develop their knowledge and understanding of the Ancient Greek civilisation and how it is a significant part of history. The children will locate the Ancient Greeks on a timeline and compare where they fit in compared to topics previously studied. In addition to this, the children will begin to ask own historically valid questions and use evidence to answer them and reconstruct life within this time period.

RE

The children will be learning about the Jewish and Christian teachings. This will alternate each week to show the similarities and differences between the two religions.

Key Skills - English

In English, your child will be reading the text 'Myth Raiders'. During this time, the children will be developing a range of reading and writing skills. They will have the opportunity to write a letter in the role of a character as well as write their own character description. Your child will develop their comprehension skills and be able to discuss and answer a range of questions in relation to their text.

Home Learning Opportunities:

Home reading is essential to developing your child's reading. Please encourage your child to take part in the 10 minutes a day reading challenge.

In addition, if you could practise any tables and division facts with your child this will really help them as these facts form an important part of the maths curriculum. Year 4 have the Multiplication Check coming up in the summer. If you need a reminder of how to access TT Rockstars then please ask your child's teacher. Thank you for your ongoing support.

Music

In Music, Year 3 will be using 'Sparkyard' to learn to represent melodies and learning to use their voice as an instrument. Year 4 will be continuing to develop their trumpet skills and introducing their vocals along side this.

French

Your child will listen attentively to spoken language and show understanding by joining in and responding. As well as beginning to learn how to speak in sentences, they will recognise days of the week in French and recreate a familiar story.

Footprints in the past

Lower Key Stage 2

Maths:

In Year 3, children will continue to develop their understanding of fractions, learning about unit and non-unit fractions and equivalent fractions. They will then focus on mass and capacity and how to measure, compare, add and subtract mass.

In Year 4, children will learn about decimals. Also, they will estimate, compare and calculate different measures of money including pounds and pence. The children will develop their knowledge of converting between different units of measure such as km/m and hour/minutes. They will also begin to apply these skills into problem solving contexts.