

Year 4 Newsletter

Middleton Parish Church School

English

This half term in reading, children will read a variety of different texts. They will be learning the skills needed to answer different types of inference questions.

Writing

In writing, we will be using a selection of different David Attenborough clips as our stimulus. We will be writing our own non-chronological reports and a biography all about his life.



Outdoor Shoes

To ensure all children can engage fully in our playtime provision, we ask that old, sturdy trainers and a pair of football/walking/thick socks are brought into school in a plastic bag. These shoes will be used for Forest School and field games such as football. Ideally, we ask that these are left in school Mon-Fri.



Science

Our science topic this term is 'Sound.' We will be learning all about how sounds are made and how we are able to hear them. We will be investigating patterns between the pitch of a sound and features of the object that produced it.



Reading

Class Novel

This half term we will be reading *How to Train Your Dragon* by Cressida Cowell.

Hiccup Horrendous Haddock the Third is a smallish Viking with a longish name. Hiccup's father is chief of the Hairy Hooligan tribe which means Hiccup is the Hope and the Heir to the Hairy Hooligan throne - but most of the time Hiccup feels like a very ordinary boy, finding it hard to be a Hero in!

Reading Books and GORead!

Children will continue to select books from our class library, with the guidance of the teaching team. This book, along with their vocabulary book, should come into school and back home each day to maximise reading opportunities.

Should children have a home reading book they would like to read, please send it into school for teachers to check it provides enough challenge to support progression in reading – teachers will then add this book to GORead.

Adults in school will read with all children at least once a week. We ask that children read at home daily.

All reading should be recorded on GORead in order for children to earn maximum gems! Problem words/new vocabulary can be added on go read alongside in vocabulary books.



Contacting Us

If you need to talk to Mr Brown or Miss Duncan please do not hesitate to send us an email.

Our class email address is

year4@middletonparishce.rochdale.sch.uk

As we teach full time, it may take up to 5 days for us to reply. If you need to pass on a message in an emergency, please contact the school office.

If you need to update contact details, allergy/medical information etc you can email the school office.

The school office email is

office@middletonparishce.rochdale.sch.uk

Sometimes families need a little extra support with things such as housing, employment, emotional well-being and parenting. Our Engagement and Inclusion team are here to help, including signposting families to services outside of school. Should you need it the team's email is

EandI@middletonparishce.rochdale.sch.uk

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Geography

In Geography, we will be learning all about the different climates that are found over the world. Children will be able to name countries on a map in Europe and North and South America. They will also be able to describe and understand climate zones and identify the four major climate zones on a map.

P.E and Forest School

P.E and Forest School will be back on a Friday for Year 4. Children should ensure they wear the correct outdoor kit on a Friday and bring their wellies in a named plastic carrier bag.

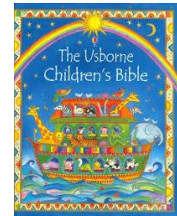
PSHE

Our Heart Smart topic is 'Don't Rub It In.' In this topic, we are thinking about the importance of forgiveness and how forgiving somebody can also make ourselves feel better. We will also look at why friendship is important and what we can do if we have a falling out.



Religious Education

In R.E. we are looking at the topic 'Exploring Easter as a story of betrayal and trust'. We will be learning all about the Easter story and thinking about how the different people involved acted.



Maths

In maths this half term, we are going to be learning about fractions. The children will learn how to add and subtract fractions with the same denominators. We will also learn how to recognise equivalent fractions and the decimal equivalents to $\frac{1}{4}$, $\frac{1}{2}$ and $\frac{3}{4}$.

We are continuing to practise our times tables and your support with this at home is very important as we prepare the children for the multiplication check.

There will be a parent information zoom uploaded to Class Dojo on Friday 11th March.

Please email us if you have any questions following this.

