

Year 4 Newsletter

Middleton Parish Church School

Spring 2 2023

Reading

This half term in reading, children will read a variety of different texts to answer comprehension questions.

Writing

In writing, children will write a character description of Grendel from the text Beowulf. They will also write an Easter poem in preparation for our Easter service at church.



Reading

Class Novel

This half term we will continue reading 'Onyeka and the academy of the sun'.
A debut children's novel packed full of memorable characters, Onyeka and the Academy of the Sun is the effervescent story of a British-Nigerian girl who discovers her curls have psychokinetic abilities and the thrilling adventures she undertakes with her new-found superhero friends.

Reading Books and GOREad!

Go Read is now back up and running.

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.



Geography

Our geography topic this half term is, 'How is our climate changing'. Using atlases, children will explore the six major climate zones and study the effects of climate change in Brazil.

Swimming

Swimming will continue on Fridays. Please continue to send your child to school in their PE kit with their swimming costume and a towel in a separate bag. Goggles and swimming hats are optional.

PSHE

Our Heart Smart topic is 'Don't rub it in, Rub it out.' In this topic, we are learning the importance of forgiveness and exploring strategies used to forgive.



Homework

As shared on dojo, homework will be sent out each Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday. Tasks will take the children no longer than ten minutes and must be completed each night and returned the next day to help support our learning in class.



Religious Education

In R.E, our topic is, 'Exploring trust and betrayal in the Easter Story.' Children will gain an understanding of the Christian Values, trust and forgiveness. They will use this knowledge to identify key aspects of the Easter Story.



Science

Our science topic this term is 'Sound'. Children will:

- identify how sounds are made, associating some of them with something vibrating
- recognise that vibrations from sounds travel through a medium to the ear
- find patterns between the pitch of a sound and features of the object that produced it
- find patterns between the volume of a sound and the strength of the vibrations that produced it
- recognise that sounds get fainter as the distance from the sound source increases

Contacting Us

If you need to talk to contact a member of the year 4 team please do not hesitate to send us an email.

Our class email address is

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Please note that although we will endeavour to get back to you as soon as possible, it may take up to five working days.

Important Dates

13th March – Science week begins
22nd March – Class clinic
27th March – Assessment week begins

4th April – Year 4 Easter Church Service
4th April – 2pm finish

Maths

Children will be looking at formal written methods of addition, subtraction, multiplication and division. We will learn at how to answer these questions in an arithmetic style and how to pull them apart using 'what do you notice' and 'what do we know' in order to answer reasoning questions.

