

English:



Our class novel this half term will be *Demon Dentist* by David Walliams. Using drama and discussion, we will explore plot, characterisation and humour.

In our writing, we will begin by creating an alternative ending to the traditional tale, *Jack and the Beanstalk*. We will also be writing an adventure story. Running through all our lessons will be a focus on SPaG, particularly sentence structure and using speech.

Maths

This term, we will be exploring fractions: ordering, adding, subtracting and finding equivalent fractions. As always, we will continue to learn and consolidate our times tables and other basic number skills to strengthen our ability to problem solve in Maths.

<https://mathsframe.co.uk/>

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/clips/z9vqkqt>



PE



This term, we will be learning the skills for playing cricket: throwing, catching and hitting the ball and playing according to the rules of the game. We will also be using the skills of throwing, catching, defending and attacking to play dodgeball, focussing on playing strategically as part of a team.

Science:



This term, we will learn about sound. We will be exploring how sounds are made and carrying out simple investigations to change sounds by altering variables, devising a fair test, making predictions and observations and forming conclusions.

Humanities



In Geography, we will be exploring rivers, looking at their geographical features, their uses for us and the functions of bridges.

In History, we will be learning about the culture and pastimes of the Roman Empire, exploring the main historical events.

Year 4

Computing



We will be introduced to Google Classroom and will use this to support learning across the curriculum. We will plan and write more complex programs using sequence and repetition and will learn the importance of keeping information and passwords secure.

Performing Arts



In Performing Arts, we will be learning about what texture is and how musicians create different layers of sounds so that their music has different textures. We will also be playing the ukulele, building on what we learned in Year 3.

RE



This term, we will explore Christianity and Islam, deepening our understanding of what it means to be a believer. We will explore questions such as how faith influences the way we live our lives, considering this in relation to ourselves and living out our school values.

PSHE



This term, we will continue to explore our RLA values. We will look at how to develop positive relationships and build stronger friendships, focussing on how to deal with our emotions and exploring our actions and their consequences.

Homework

- ~ Spellings
- ~ Daily reading
- ~ English (SPaG or reading)
- ~ Maths (linked to class work)
- ~ TT Rocks, Class Dojo, Purple Mash

Please support your child by:

- ~ practising mental maths skills
- ~ listening to your child read regularly at home
- ~ talking to your child about what they are doing at school

