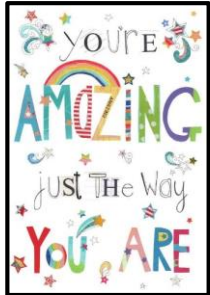




St Gregory's Catholic Academy Curriculum Newsletter Year 4

Spring Term 2023



ClassDojo

Important information and homework will be shared on Class Dojo. Please ensure you are connected in order to keep up to date.

Wellbeing



We have been discussing our thoughts and feelings about being back at school, as well as any concerns that anyone may have. We will continue to focus on our own wellbeing and discuss any emotions as they arrive, including strategies for managing these.

The Arts



This term, we will be exploring, colour and paint in Art and construction in DT. In music, our unit is called Stop! We will continue to listen to and appraise songs, take part in musical activities and perform and share our own work.

RSE

In RSE we will be learning and thinking about how we are all Created to Love Others.

English

This term we are initially using the book *The Rhythm of the Rain* as a basis for our English lessons. Using this, we will write in a range of different genres.

We will also be recapping punctuation from Year 3 and learning about sentence types for description. We will apply these skills when we write to persuade in adverts, posters and letters. We will continue to practise our handwriting, in order to ensure a consistent fluent, joined writing style. Please use Letterjoin to practise handwriting. **Please continue to use Reading Plus to practice reading fluency and comprehension.**



Maths

This term, we begin with measures, converting between units of measure for length and learn about area and perimeter. Then we will continue to learn about multiplication and division. We will also consolidate our knowledge of the 2, 3, 4, 5, 8 and 10 times tables. **Please practise these at home as much as possible ready for the multiplication check in June!** To finish this term, we will be looking at fractions and decimals.



Science

This term we will be learning about Materials (States of Matter), we will learn about solids, liquids and gases. During this unit, we will investigate melting points and freezing points, as well as exploring evaporation and condensation.

Our second topic this term will be Sound where we will learn about how we hear sounds through vibrations, pitch and volume. During this unit, we will investigate sound over a distance.



History / Geography

We begin this term with a Geography unit - Rivers. Within this topic, some of the things we will learn about are the water cycle, the role of a river, the upper and lower courses and the impact of flooding.

We will then move onto our History unit – Anglo Saxons and Vikings. We will explore where the Vikings came from, the introduction of Christianity and much more.



Religious Education

This term we will have three RE topics:

- Local Church – Community. We will begin this term by looking at life in the local Christian community and ministries in the parish.
- Eucharist – Celebrating the Mass. In this unit we will be looking deeply into what Catholics believe and do.
- Lent/Easter – Self Discipline. We will end the term with this unit, focusing on celebrating growth to new life.



PE

In PE this term, our focus will be gymnastics. As part of this unit, we will learn various types of movement and eventually create and perform our own gymnastic sequence.



MFL

In Spanish, we will be learning about the seasons, dates and parts of the body.

