



Year 4 Curriculum Newsletter
Summer Term 2 2024
Mrs Banwell and Mrs Singleton



Dear parents,

Welcome back after the May half term. We hope you have had a restful break and that your children are refreshed and ready to start the final part of the summer term. Our new topic for this half term is 'Who eats who?' where we will be learning about living things and their habitats.



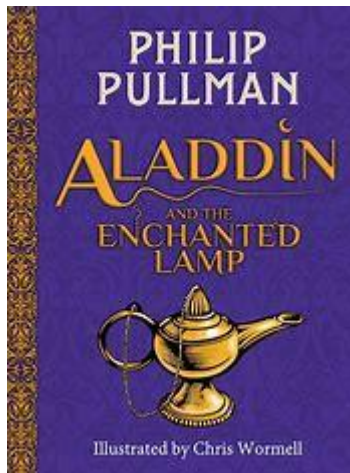
Religious Education – Come and See:

Please see the separate newsletter, which is also available on the school website, to see which topics we will be covering this term.

PSHE (taught by Mrs Singleton):

Our learning will focus on the question 'How can we manage risk in different places?'

English:



Fantasy Story
Aladdin

As a class we will be reading Phillip Pullman's Aladdin. The children will then write their own fantasy stories inspired by Aladdin.

Debate (taught by Mrs Singleton):

Through shared reading, we will explore a range of discussion texts around formal debates including should we take risks? and are zoo's cruel? They will learn the features of debates, consider arguments for and against an idea and use research to support their idea. The children will then plan and write their own formal debate based on are TV's bad for us where they will use this to help them complete a formal verbal debate in class.

Ongoing English:

Vocabulary, grammar and punctuation will be taught within the English lessons. Guided reading, spellings and handwriting will also continue.

Mathematics:

This half term our key learning will focus on the following:

Statistics

Interpret charts
Comparison, sum and difference
Line graphs

Properties of shapes

Identify angles
Compare and order angles
Recognise and describe 2D shapes
Triangles
Quadrilaterals
Lines of symmetry

Position and direction

Describe position
Draw on a grid
Move on a grid

Science – Living Things and their Habitats:

During this topic, the children will be taught to:

- Recognise that living things can be grouped in a variety of ways.
- Explore and use classification keys to help group, identify and name a variety of living things in their local and wider environment.
- Recognise that environments can change and that this can sometimes pose dangers to living things.

Design Technology- Structure: Pavillions (taught by Mrs Singleton):

The children will be producing a range of free-standing frame structures of different shapes and sizes and they will each design a pavillion which is strong, stable and aesthetically pleasing. They will learn how to select appropriate materials and construction techniques to create a stable, free-standing frame structure. Finally, they will select appropriate materials and techniques to add cladding to their pavillion.

Music – Stop:

This halfterm, we will be learning a song/rap about bullying. The class will learn about the music through games, singing and composing and will then have the opportunity to perform their own rap.

Art – Sculpture and 3D: Mega materials: Lessons 1 2 and 5

During this art topic the children will be exploring work by Magdalene Odundo and then use chalk to create 3D drawings outside. The children will also be using a variety of tools to carve their own soap sculpture. Finally, we will be creating our own 3D piece of art using recycled materials.

Computing – Introduction to Artificial Intelligence:

Artificial Intelligence is all around us and in the news on almost a daily basis. This unit introduces children to the concept of artificial intelligence, focuses on how it is used in our lives, looks at the future of AI and finally considers the role of AI in creativity.

PE:

PE will be taught by Chorley School Sport Partnership on a Tuesday afternoon. Please could you make sure your child arrives at school on Tuesdays wearing their PE kit.

French:

Year 4 will have French lessons on a Tuesday afternoon. They will be developing a basic vocabulary and confidence in speaking French through songs, games and varied speaking activities.



If you have any queries, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs S Banwell and Mrs Singleton, Year 4 Teachers

With Christ, we live, we love, we learn, we grow