

**Curriculum Newsletter for Parents**

**Year 4 Class teachers- Miss Cadden and Mr Maguire**

Dear Parent,

Your child will be working on the following curriculum during this term. Please feel free to talk to the Class teacher about any area of this curriculum.

**Mathematics**

In Maths this term, the children will be mostly learning multiplication and division as well as addition and subtraction. Some topics will include the following:

- Building on the 11 and 12x tables
- Mentally multiplying three numbers
- Using column addition and subtraction for both 3-digit and 4-digit numbers.
- Multiplying 2-digit and 3-digit numbers by a 1-digit number using a formal written method.
- Dividing 2-digit and 3-digit numbers by a 1-digit number using a formal written method.

In Geometry we will be looking at:

- Acute angles
- Obtuse angles
- Acute and obtuse angles in shapes
- Right angles

We ask that the children continue practicing their times tables at home in preparation for our times tables test. Additionally, please complete homework (given out Friday and handed in Tuesday) is also important in aiding the children in their understanding of these topics. If you require any help, please don't hesitate in seeing any Year 4 teacher.

**English-**

**The Lost Happy Endings**

Jub has the important job of ensuring all the Happy Endings of stories are in the right part of the forest when bedtime arrives. She scatters the golden words into the air from a sack. Then one night as Jub traverses the forest, a scary woman snatches the sack from her. How will Jub restore the Happy Endings to their rightful place?

**Writing Outcomes**

- Narrative non-fiction
- Newspaper report
- Diary entry
- Poetry

**Grammar Focus**

- Nouns
- Adjectives
- Paragraphs
- Conjunctions adverbs and prepositions to express time and cause
- Articles and determiners
- Clauses
- Apostrophes
- Clauses
- Inverted commas for speech

**VIPERS**

Daily reading-based learning to improve the quality of children's ability to read and understand the context they are reading

V- Vocabulary I- Inference P- Predict E- Explain R- Retrieve S- Summarise

**Computing**

In Computing, we will be using Spreadsheets as a medium for the children to explore and discover alternative ways of recording and presenting information. This will be used to support the Science, Topic and English curriculum.

**Science**

**States of Matter.** In Science we will be learning about the three states of matter and how they can be changed. We will write a report on how the properties change and what we can do to speed the process up.

**P.E.**

Indoor and outdoor P.E. will be delivered with this term's choices; Gymnastics and Basketball.

**Music**

Practical music lesson alongside music theory and understanding. This term we are exploring Pop music with the Beatles 'Blackbird'.

**PSHE**

Topics for this term are: Think Positive - focusing on mental health. And Life Cycles - how things change.

**Art/DT**  
**Painting**

Please feel free to send your child in with an old shirt for when they are painting. We will be exploring various painting techniques, both old and new. The children should really enjoy this topic.

**Geography**  
**Mountains**

This half term we will be looking at the mountains of the World and how they were formed. The children will be able to identify these mountain ranges on a map and discuss the climate around them.

**Trips and Assemblies**