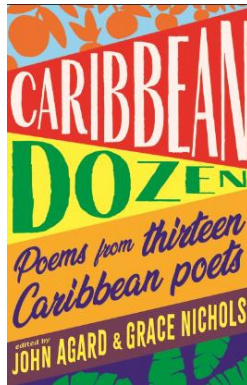




In **English** lessons this term, we are exploring poetry through 3 female Caribbean poets in the book **A Caribbean Dozen**. We will focus vocabulary choices (alliteration and simile) and performance before composing our own poems to reflect weather linking to our Geography topic of USA and the state of Florida.



In Maths we continue to use formal methods for addition and subtraction, then moving on to multiplication and division and finishing with measurement and area. We will also be working on quick recall of times tables. Year 4s will take a times table test in the summer term. Regular practise of new tables and repetition of ones previously learnt is invaluable. Details of tables to be practised are on your child's homework grid. Here are some links to support you doing this at home:

[Times Tables Rock Stars: Play \(ttrockstars.com\)](https://www.ttrockstars.com)



White Rose 1 minute maths app

Reading – Your child will have 2 reading books. One is an AR book chosen according to their reading range. Reading with an adult remains really important so new words and understanding can be discussed. Our reading bookmarks provide questions to help these discussions. We ask that you aim to read daily with your child, making a note in their student journal. House points are awarded for every time they have read at home (with written proof!) Your child will also be read with at least once a week in school. Their second book is chosen from our class library and is to be enjoyed as you wish, looking at the pictures, a book for you to read to your child or to read together.

Homework

In addition to reading and timetables, your child will receive a Homework Grid. There are a variety of tasks from which they need to pick 4 to complete by the October half term.

Student Planners

Your child will have a student planner. There is space for reading to be logged and messages written by home and school. These will be checked daily in school and we ask that you do the same at home to aid communication. There is space for you to sign at the end of the week to show you have accessed this.

Geography

In Geography we will be exploring the state of Florida, USA by exploring The Magic Kingdom. After looking at location, weather and other physical and human features of the state, we will create tourist leaflets for a UK visitor.



DT

We will be using textiles to create a decoration linking with our RE unit on festivals.

Science



We will be studying sound. We will use investigations to consider what it is, pitch and volume and how these can be changed.

PHSE

We will continue with our work on zones of regulation, identifying feelings and how they affect us. We will also look at bullying behaviour and what we can do if we experience it.

Latin

We will be learning Latin through stories of the Romans.

PE

We are learning hockey and gymnastics. The children have PE every **Monday and Tuesday** Earrings should not be worn for any PE session please help your child stay safe by removing their earrings on a PE day.

R.E.

We are looking how people from different religions celebrate key festivals.

Computing

Computing will focus on Online safety and behaviours.

Music

We will be focusing on singing this half term, practising songs in preparation for the Young Voices concert in January. This will involve learning to sing in parts and include music by Bob Marley, linking to our English theme of poetry and The Caribbean.