

Team: Year 4

Term: Spring 2024

Spring has sprung and the new year too!

This term, Year 4 units of work will revolve around the theme of adventure as they begin reading their new class novels, Sky Hawk and The Firework Maker's Daughter.

English

Children will begin each day with whole class guided reading, where they focus on their comprehension skills.

The first unit is Adventure Stories, where they will explore the use of powerful language to evoke suspense. They will then move on to diary writing of intrepid journeys.

Spellings and handwriting will continue as usual.

French

The children will be continuing their French this term. They will cover key vocabulary on transport, calendar dates, animals, food and shopping.

Art and DT

In Art children will be learning about Celtic art and learning how to draw birds.

In DT they will be designing, making and evaluating an aeroplane.

History and Geography

In History the children will be learning how Britannia changed after the withdrawal of the Romans. They will be exploring how the Anglo-Saxon invasion changed life for those still living in Britain. In Geography, they will be developing their mapping skills, including map and compass reading, directions and creating their own representations of places. They will examine maps of both local and further areas. Grid references and coordinates will also be used.

Year 4 Spring Overview Journeys of Discovery



PSHE

"Dreams and Goals," which explores themes such as hopes and dreams, overcoming disappointment and creating and achieving goals. The children will also be learning about "healthy me".

RE

The first Big Question in RE this term is, 'How important is it for Jewish people to do what God asks them to do?' Our second question is 'Is forgiveness always possible for Christians?'

Maths

The children will be covering the following concepts:

- Multiplication and Division
- Coordinates
- Measurement
- Perimeter and Area
- Place Value

We will also be regularly practising times tables and revising prior knowledge.

Computing

The children will be using their skills to begin programming repetition in shapes and using data logging equipment.

PE/Games

The children are very excited about beginning their swimming sessions in the first part of this term. They will also be learning how to play basketball, handball and learning new dance techniques.

Science

The first area of study is based on chemistry: States of Matter. This is the fascinating study of what constitutes a solid, liquid or gas, how particles are arranged within these things and how some materials can change state. During Science Week, the children will be learning about the science of Time.