

Yr4 Curriculum News Spring 2024

English

In English we will be covering a range of exciting topics:

- Nonfiction texts, including newspapers articles.
- Explanation texts.
- Performance poetry
- Narrative: we'll be looking at short novels, such as Horrid Henry by Francesca Simon
- Playscripts

Whole Class Reading this term focuses on newspapers, historical fiction and narrative. Guided Reading takes place daily and will cover a range of

Science

We will be covering the following topics:

- Sound
- Living things and their habitats

Children will continue to learn about how sound is made and how it travels, including exploring pitch and volume. They will continue to develop their scientifically skills through demonstrations and experiments. Later in the term, we will explore habitats in our area.

To support this, Year 4 will be visiting the Science Museum on 19.3.24.

PF

In PE we will be covering:

Gymnastics and Dance

Net Games

P.E. uniform should consist of a blue or white t-shirt, black leggings/tracksuit bottoms/shorts and a pair of plimsolls or trainers. As the weather changes, PE lessons will be outside as much as possible so please also include a sweatshirt. Our PE day is on Friday.

Spanish

In Spanish the children will be learning sentences to describe the weather and how to dress for the it.

Homework

For homework, your child should be reading for at least 15 minutes a day. They should quiz on any books they have read which are available on the reading platforms. Spellings will be handed out every Friday with a test the following Friday. Your child will also be set regular Mathletics tasks and TTRS battles to consolidate their understanding. Children should be completing these tasks independently to challenge themselves. Spelling frame is also available to help practise spellings.

Geography

In Geography, we will be covering the following units:

- Population
- Coastal Processes

History

This term in History we will learn more about the Romans, focusing on:

- The Roman Empire
- Roman Britain

Excitingly, Year 4 will be visiting the British Museum

Maths

In Maths we will cover the following topics:

Multiplication and division

Length and Perimeter

Fractions

Decimals

Children will also be regularly quizzed on their times tables. Times tables are a great way to build mathematical understanding and fluency, so please support your child by encouraging them to actively engage with their timetables – TTRS is great (and fun!) way to do this.

Religious Education

In RE this term, we will continue to study the stories in the Jewish Bible, before moving on to Christianity, the Easter story, Lent and Easter. We will look at different Christian denominations, the structure of churches and the events that followed Holy Week.

Music

This term's Musical Topics are:

- Stop!
- Developing pulse and groove through improvisation.

In music the children will learn to compose their own songs and combine and layer musical instruments in their compositions. Pupils will then move on to explore melodic patterns and compose music using glockenspiels.

PSHE

In PSHE children will be focusing on the value of respect and continuing to develop their growth mind set. In the second half of the term, we will begin to explore drugs education.