



Newsletter

Spring Term 2024 - Year 4

Mrs Welch and Miss Johnson

Welcome to the Year 4 Curriculum Newsletter. This is a summary of the learning planned for the Summer Term.

Further information is available on our website: www.stmichaelscofeprimary.co.uk under Key Information - Curriculum - Curriculum Newsletters.

Updates and photos of our learning are also under Children - Class Pages - Year 4

If you have any concerns about your child's learning please contact Mrs Welch directly, in the first instance.

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Topic

Our topic this term will be 'Angle-Land'. Our history learning will focus on the history of the Anglo-Saxons, in which we will find out more about life in Britain during those times, using Anglo-Saxon artefacts! During our topic lessons, we will use the Anglo-Saxon story of Beowulf for writing opportunities alongside creating our own Beowulf paintings in our art lessons.



Maths

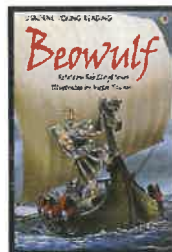
In our maths lessons this term, we will be learning to multiply and divide by 10 and 100. We will work on our understanding of different methods to solve multiplication and division problems when dividing by 10 and 100. We will then move on to short multiplication and division using our knowledge of timetables to support us in our understanding.

Club sheets will continue to be tested weekly. It would also be extremely useful for us to practice our times tables using Times Table Rock Stars on a regular basis.

We will consolidate for the four calculations through daily Fluent in Five sessions and a weekly arithmetic lesson.

English

In our writing lessons this term, we will use our topic learning to support us in writing a non-chronological report based on Anglo-Saxons. We will also use the story of Beowulf for both retell and descriptive writing. Our main focus will be to improve the use of fronted adverbials and inverted commas for speech, in preparation for moving up to Year 5.



We will be reading the David Walliams book, 'The Demon Dentist' in our reading lessons. We will use this book to practice all of the FIRECUP skills this term but with particular focus on the meaning of words and then moving onto the skill of inference.



Science

In the first half-term, we will be learning about living things and using classification keys to help group, identify and name a variety of living things. In the second half-term, we will be exploring basic parts of the digestive system, exploring teeth and their function and exploring producers, predators and prey in food chains.

Music

On Tuesday mornings, we will continue to learn how to play a ukulele as part of our music lessons. Please ensure ukuleles are in school on these days.



Computing

In computing, we will be learning about how to use repeat and loop commands to design a project.

Helpful Internet Safety Sites for Parents and Carers

<https://nationalonlinesafety.com/guides>

<https://www.thinkuknow.co.uk/parents/>

<https://www.internetmatters.org/resources/esafety-leaflets-resources/>

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PE

This term some Year 4 children will be going swimming at St Regis School every Friday morning so please remember to bring your swimming kit each week. We will also continue with PE on a Monday and Friday mornings so make sure your PE kit is in school. Please remember to take earrings out for school on PE days.

Diary Dates

Friday 26th April - Y4 Forest School Afternoon

Thursday 2nd May - Polling Day (School Closed)

Monday 20th May - Pentecost Service in Church

Tuesday 21st May - Year 4 Singing in the Halls Morning

Tuesday 21st May - Year 4 Come Dine With Me

Wednesday 22nd May - Purple Day

Friday 24th May - Colour Run

Friday 24th May - School Breaks up for Half-Term

Monday 3rd June - School Re-opens

Monday 3rd June - Class Photos

Thursday 20th June - Sports Morning

Wednesday 19th June - WolvOlympics Path to Paris

Friday 21st June - French Day

Wednesday 26th June - Music Evening at Church

Wednesday 3rd July - Y4/5 Tettenhall College The Hobbit Theatre Visit

Friday 5th July - Africa Day

Monday 15th July - Moving Up Day