



Newsletter

Autumn Term 2023 - Year 4

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



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

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Maths

To begin the term we will be learning about number, addition and subtraction, where we will look at the composition of 1,000 and four digit numbers. We will then move on to solving multiplication and division problems involving larger numbers. Following on from this we will be learning our 11 and 12 times tables and solving problems involving these. Throughout the term, we will be practicing our times tables, completing our weekly club sheets and our weekly arithmetic to improve our rapid recall of number facts.



Topic learning

Our topic focus this term is called Funky Pharaohs, where we will be learning about Egyptians, as part of our history learning. In geography, we will be learning about rivers with a particular focus on the River Nile. We will have the opportunity to draw figures in Egyptian style and we will be creating Egyptian death masks (art focus). In Design and Technology, we will be making an Egyptian tomb. In computing, we will be learning to record an audio. It will be an informative audio, where we will be sharing our findings about Egyptians to sum up our topic learning.

R.E.

In RE this term, we will be discussing 'What do Christians learn from the creation story?'. This unit will allow children to consider the importance of the creation story to Christians and consider how they can behave in order to make the world 'very good'.

In the second half term, we will be looking at the question "What is the Trinity?" and looking at the understanding that Christians have of God as Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

P.E.

P.E will take place on Monday afternoons and Friday mornings with Soccer 2000. Children should ensure they have their PE kit available in school. Earrings must be removed for PE.

Science

In science, we will begin by focusing on States of Matter. We will be understanding solids, liquids and gases. We will observe the changes that take place when some of these are heated or cooled. We will also look at how these states work in the water cycle.

PSHE

This term we will be exploring the units Back to School, Getting on with Everyone and Dealing with Feelings.

Music

On Tuesday mornings we will be learning how to play a ukulele, as part of our music lessons.

Computing

In computing, we will be learning about how to keep safe online and understanding where we can go for support with online concerns.



English

This term our reading and writing will begin by looking at The Spiderwick Chronicles. We will then move on to reading some stories relating to our topic, including Egyptian Cinderella. We will be writing a character description and retelling a story. Children will also be given the opportunity to create a non-chronological report, diary entries and informal letters. Reading at home is important and we ask that you support us with this by reading with your child and discussing with them the books they read.



Diary Dates

29.09.23 - St Michael's Day Service
29.09.23 - Book Fair arrives in school
04.10.23 - Parents' Evening 5 - 8pm
05.10.23 - Parents' Evening 3.30 - 5.30pm
09.10.23 - School Photographs
11.10.23 - Y4 Eucharist
20.10.23 - Harvest Festival
25.10.23 - Staying Safe Assembly
26.10.23 - Y4 Forest School
01.12.23 - Y4 Forest School
06.12.23 - Y4 Egyptian Workshop Day
22.12.23 - Christmas Church Service