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Year 4

Newsletter

What we will be doing to settle into Year 4:

Become familiar with the morning routine, including register monitors, trolley monitors and completing early work each day. Remembering to be responsible and bring in our planners and reading books every day. Getting to know and work with new people in our classes.

Please note children will not require pencil cases in Year 4.

Reminding children that regular practise of Times Tables Rockstars is very useful in Year 4.



Core Curriculum:

English

This term we will be starting with Dragon poetry. Pupils will be learning to use similes and metaphors to add detail to their poems and creating several different types of poem. Following this, we will be looking at story writing skills. Each week, children will be participating in Guided Reading where they will be reading and discussing non-fiction and fiction texts.

Maths

We will start with a unit on place value. This will include rounding, understanding the value of different digits, negative numbers and learning about Roman numerals.

Each week children will have a challenge maths lesson, often related to what they have studied in the week, and practise their arithmetic skills of addition, subtraction, multiplication and division.

Science

In science this half term we will be studying states of matter. During this topic pupils will become confident to use the terms solid, liquid and gas and will be able to describe the water cycle. This will involve a range of practical activities that will also allow us to improve their working scientific skills.



Other areas of the Curriculum:

Computing

In computing we will be starting on a unit about internet safety. We will be considering how we can encourage others in our school community to be safe online and how important it is to be kind online.

PSHCE and VALUES

In PSHCE this half term we will be looking at anti-bullying and friendships. This will include creating a definition of bullying so we can understand the different forms it can take and consider how we can encourage a bullying-free environment at school. We will also be looking at how to be a good friend and scenarios that a friend might be faced with and how to handle them.

RE

We will be exploring how faith is expressed in Sikh communities and traditions.

Topic

In topic we will be focusing on the topic of South America. This will include identifying the countries, using compasses and co-ordinates to locate features on a map and looking at a wide range of different map types to increase our familiarity with different styles of maps. In addition we shall be exploring the work of the artist Frida Kahlo.

Reminders/Key dates:

Autumn term

4 September - 20 December

Half term

21 October - 25 October

Training Day

18 October

School Photos

23 September

Macmillan Coffee Morning

27 September

Parents' Evenings

15 October

17 October



Topic

South America

