

Half Term Curriculum Overview



Year 4 - Summer 1 – 2021

English

One of our focus narrative texts this half term is "Pea Boy", a collection of tales from Iran. In their story writing, children will focus on developing characters through dialogue, ensuring they apply the rules of inverted commas. Additionally, they will learn about the features of persuasive writing and compose a persuasive speech in the role of a character.

Another narrative text the children will explore this half term is "Demon Dentist" by David Walliams. They will focus on writing a narrative with a clear structure, setting, characters and plot. Children will learn how to plan and write a setting description using different strategies (for example, by imagining how reader's eyes move from one section of a place to another). They will focus on structuring their writing using paragraphs to organise ideas around a theme. In their sentences, they will focus on the correct use of apostrophes to mark plural possession (e.g. the girls' names, the boy's boots).

Computing

- Online Safety
- As part of understanding how technology and the internet can be used to collaborate and communicate, children will experiment with recording their own audio book reviews.

Spanish

- Time: Children will be taught to ask questions about and say the time in Spanish.

Topic – Burps, Bottoms and Bile

Science - Burps, Bottoms and Bile

- Identify the different types of teeth in humans and their simple functions.
- Identify differences, similarities or changes related to simple scientific ideas and processes.
- Describe the simple functions of the basic parts of the digestive system in humans.



- PSHE - Health and Wellbeing- Growing and Changing. What is puberty? Puberty changes and reproduction. The children will also learn about the hazardous effects of alcohol.

RE

Sikhism the children will be learning about the religious festival Vaisakhi.

D&T

Prepare and arrange a healthy dish, applying the principles of a healthy and varied diet.

Mathematics

Decimals

Children will extend their understanding of decimals to numbers to 2 decimal places, comparing and ordering these numbers. They will also learn decimal equivalents of key fractions.

Area

This term, children will progress from finding the area of 2-D shapes by counting individual squares to using the properties of squares and rectangles to develop faster methods.

Angles

Children will learn how to identify acute and obtuse angles, and compare and order angles up to two right angles by size.

Shape and symmetry

Children will learn how to identify lines of symmetry in 2-D shapes presented in different orientations.

Position and direction

Children will learn how to describe movements between positions as translations of a given unit to the left/right and up/down.

P.E.

- Dance – the children will learn to perform a sequence of movements to a piece of music.
- Running – the children will be learning to run for speed and distance, including sprinting skills.

Homework

- **Topic:** Topic homework due in at the end of term
- **Spellings:** A test each week and new spellings to be learnt, given out on a Friday.
- **Reading:** To be practised regularly. Books are changed when necessary.
- **Mathematics:** Passports – To know all times tables up to 12 x 12

Music

The children will be focussing on a range of famous composers and their most known compositions. The children will also identify different styles of music and will learn to create their own simple compositions using different rhythms and beats.