

ENGLISH

Our class text this half-term will be 'Vi Spy'. Using inspiration from the book, pupils will write a character description focusing on using precise vocabulary and a range of different writing techniques. We will also develop our understanding of non-fiction writing by producing a newspaper report.

To help your child at home, ask them about the work they have been doing at school - ask them to talk about the books they read. Spelling and handwriting are also important skills so practising these at home will be beneficial.

PSHE

In PSHE, we will be learning about 'celebrating differences'. Children will learn about the importance of inclusivity, effects of bullying and problem solving.

We will also discuss how everyone is unique in their own way and why it is important to respect this and not make assumptions of others.



D&T

For this half term, children will create a Christmas stocking. The children will learn about its functionality and visual appeal as well as its purpose.

Children will learn how to use different stitches to join fabrics together. They will then design their own Christmas stocking using the techniques that they have learned, including decorative features to make them appealing.

MATHS

In Maths, we will continue to develop the key skills children have already been taught as well as introduce new concepts.

In Arithmetic, children will add and subtract 10,100 and 1000 from a given number, answer maths stories with missing numbers and continue to develop their recall of their times tables up to 12.

Another focus is answering one-step word problems involving all four operations (+ - x ÷). Once pupils have secured this understanding, they will then progress onto two-step word problems.

This year, children will also be sitting the Multiplication Tables Check in June, therefore please ensure you practise these at home.

RE

In RE, the children will be studying different religions over the year.

This term our focus will be on Christianity. They will find out about the beliefs, acts of worship and symbolism of this religion.

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COMPUTING

In computing, children will be evaluating, designing, and making their own computer game. Children will develop their understanding of algorithms.

History

Our focus this term will be Ancient Egyptians.

Children will secure their knowledge of the Egyptian civilisation and place events chronologically. This will enhance their understanding of when this civilisation lived and how their lives differed.

Children will be taught to identify and compare events and trends over time.

MUSIC



This half term, Year 4 will take part in weekly music lessons focusing on the glockenspiel. We will learn to play along with various songs before going on to compose our own piece of music. We will build our understanding of notation in music. 4JB will continue with their Ukulele lessons.

SCIENCE

In Science, the children will be increasing their understanding of Living Things. We will learn what a classification key is and sort and classify living things into groups based on their properties.

We will also investigate the environment different groups need and explore how changes in an environment will affect the living things that live there.

INFORMATION

PE day is Wednesday and Friday

Please ensure children are in their school PE kit and jewellery is removed. As weather gets colder, please ensure children are wearing appropriate kit as we may be outside.

Reading books

We hear all children read weekly and reading books are changed regularly. Please make sure your child brings their reading book to school **every day**.