Autumn Newsletter

Year 4

ENGLISH

In English, we are learning the skills for story writing and non-chronological report. We will concentrate on developing use of punctuation, spelling, powerful vocabulary, more interesting sentence construction and use of correct grammar.

The above skills will be taught through the context of a class novel. We are reading 'Boy at the back of the class' and 'Vi Spy'. Children will also have reading lessons each week that focus on a particular comprehension skill. 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.

History

During history lessons, we will be looking at the time of the Egyptians. We will be looking at the various achievements they made during their era by reflecting on artefacts and sources that remain. As part of the topic, we will also be looking at how different groups of people contributed to this.

Geography

Our topic in geography is 'The Americas'. Pupils will explore various cities, states and countries across both North and South America. In the final week, pupils will write a travel itinerary explaining where they would visit and why.

Mrs Bowen Teacher (4JB)

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Mr Escribano TA (4JB)

Science

Our first science topic will be about the human body. We will be looking at how the organs

in the digestive system work and the importance of our teeth. Our second topic will focus

on how both animals and plants are classified. We will find out what a vertebrate and

Miss Williams Teacher (4AW)

Music

For music, 4JB will be learning to play the

glockenspiel, before moving on to learn

4AW will be having ukulele lessons this

term. They will need to bring in their

PSHE

In PSHE, we will be learning about being

part of a class and school community,

exploring how our actions effect the

whole group. We will also find out what

democracy means and how this is used

in school, through our school council.

to sing the soul song 'lean on me'.

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Mrs Dhaliwal TA (4AW)

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

MATHS

In Arithmetic, we will read and write numbers up to 5 digits, understanding the place value as we do this. We will learn to round numbers to 10, 100 and 1000. We will also learn to read, write, and convert between fractions and decimals. Another focus will be comparing and converting between different units of measure, which we will then use to solve word problems involving measures and money.

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

Art

Our art lessons will focus on plant art. Pupils will be developing their observational skills by creating detailed illustrations and learning how to create tints, shades and tones of colours. Pupils will be exploring work produced by artist Oral Kiely and reproducing prints in her artistic style.

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Computing

In our first computing unit, pupils will

plan, create, develop and test their own

educational game. Our second unit will

focus on developing a micro: bit project

using the MakeCode programme.

During Autumn, we will be finding out who Sikhs are and what they believe. and we will learn about the importance of Bethlehem to Christians. We will also find out what a pilgrimage is.

PF

During PE, children will develop and apply their footwork and one leg balance through focused skill development sessions, healthy competition and cooperative games. They will also be taking part in 'Circuit Training' to improve their overall fitness. Our PE lessons will be on Tuesday and Wednesday.

DT

During DT, pupils will be developing their sewing skills by making seasonal stockings. Pupils will have to analyse existing products, practice their sewing skills and design their own stocking before going on to produce their very own.