

Maths

This half term we will be reviewing Place Value, Addition and Subtraction, Multiplication and Division, as well as developing the children's fraction knowledge. We will learn about $\frac{1}{2}$ $\frac{1}{3}$ $\frac{1}{4}$ $\frac{1}{5}$ and their related fractions as well as how to add fractions with the same denominator.

You can support your child by encouraging them to practise their mental magicians every day. You can also work on fractions at home by sharing objects into groups and cutting up food into equal portions and associating that with the fraction name.

English

Our writing journeys will be inspired by the writing of our class author, Roald Dahl and his love of chocolate. We will be looking at extracts from '*Charlie and the Chocolate Factory*' as well as his '*Revolting Rhymes*'.

The children's half term challenge will be focusing on improving pace in their writing to keep their audience engaged. **You can support this by reading a range of short stories at home and encouraging your child to use a range of adjectives.**

Our spelling tests will continue to be on a Thursday.

P.E.

In PE we will continue to have one outdoor session a week every **Thursday**. Our focus will be on games where we will be developing the skills of striking and fielding.

Our second PE slot will continue to be on a **Wednesday** – your child will either be swimming or joining Year 4 for PE.

Personal, Social and Health Education (PSHE) and Religious Education (R.E.)

PSHE – In PSHCE this half term, we will be using the Jigsaw scheme to explore what it means to be 'Healthy Me.' This will incorporate healthy friendships and group dynamics. The focus will then look at keeping themselves and others safe and the physical effects of smoking and alcohol on the body.

RE- During our RE lessons the children will be looking at the People of God and learning more about Noah. We will look at the relation between the story of Noah and the vows made at wedding ceremonies.

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Computing

The children will be developing their Digital Literacy skills by learning how to send a receive emails. They will look at different platforms and the components of emails. They will also learn how to identify fake emails and what to do if they receive one.

You can support your child by having conversations about internet safety and how to avoid cyberbullying.

French and Music

We will be continuing our French lessons with Miss Johnston and Mr Harrison, improving vocabulary and learning to talk about what we like and don't like.

Recorder lessons will be on Friday with Mrs Virgo and wider music will be taught by Miss Johnston.

Science

Our topic this half term will be **Plants**. The children will be looking at the life cycle of plants and investigating the different parts a plant needs to grow.

We will be linking this to our History topic of the Mayans as the children will look at the story of the cocoa bean and what it takes for the bean to become chocolate.

Art

In our art lessons we will be combining the skills of printing with the artistic style of surrealism. The children will use their skills of critical thinking to explore the work of Salvador Dali and create their own prints in similar style.

You can support this at home by trying out printing and stamping with vegetables and sponges.

History

In History we will be delving into Maya civilization and the history of chocolate. We will investigate the impact the Mayans had on the world today as well as the different roles in Ancient Maya.

You can support this at home by looking into traditional Mayan recipes for hot chocolate and having a go at making them. You can also research aspects of Mayan life that we still have today.