

Year 4 - Term 2

Spiritual, Moral, Social and Cultural Education and British Values

The children will continue to learn about the British Values, identifying how we can use these values and morals in our daily lives. We will be thinking about 'Getting on and Falling out', as well as saying 'No to Bullying'.

Computing

In computing, we will continue to look at developing software and how to make computer games. The children will use Scratch to make and edit their own games. We will also continue to practise our keyboard skills by publishing our own writing.

Music

The children will continue to learn to read music notes and practise through playing a range of songs. They will practise notes already taught and continue learning new ones in rhythm.

Art / Design Technology

In Art, we will be studying the artist Georges Seurat and his style of painting which is called Pointillism. The children will practise painting a variety of subjects using his techniques. The children will also finish their Ancient Greek comedy/tragedy masks in DT. They were made using Modrock before the end of the last term and now need spray-painting.

Please encourage your children to read at home every day. Research suggests that through reading a variety of texts, children become better writers.

English

In English this term, we will be continuing to improve our understanding of spelling, punctuation and grammar through a variety of methods. We will use Pie Corbett's method of 'Talk for Writing' to understand structures of different text-types. We will study a story called 'Tattercoats' and the children will continue to write their own stories using the strategies, vocabulary, conjunctions taught.

Mathematics

In Mathematics the children will be learning about fractions, decimals and measurements. We will focus on equivalent fractions, how to add and subtract fractions, how to solve problems involving fractions, as well as how to convert between units and measurements. The children will also be learning about perimeter and area as well as time, and how to solve problems relating to time.

Physical Education

In PE the children will be practising 'boot camp' exercises, and learning how to focus intensely for a short period of time before resting. We will discuss the function of the heart and also how to try to improve by persevering and concentrating. We will continue to go outside for PE whenever possible.

Science

In Science we will continue to study States of Matter. The children will work scientifically by exploring the effect of temperature on substances such as chocolate, butter, cream and ice. They will research the temperature at which materials change state.

History / Geography

The children will be learning about maps and mapping this term. They will go on a 'tour' through Europe, make links to geography and use geographical vocabulary to investigate similarities and differences.

Religious Education

To begin with, the children will learn about Hinduism this term. We will investigate the origin of Hinduism, their beliefs as well as their Gods. Later on, we will learn about Jesus the Light of the World and consider the importance of light and also the meaning of what Jesus said.

Italian

The children will be trying to build simple sentences and increase their vocabulary. They will also learn more numbers through playing maths games and will revise the days of the week, the months of the year and the seasons.