

Year 4

Term 1 2020

Maths

This term the children will begin by re-capping their understanding of Roman numerals. They will then move onto place value and look at rounding numbers to the nearest, 10, 100 and 1000. The children will learn where the numbers sit on an empty number line and think about how we can partition a variety of 2,3- and 4-digit numbers. They will re-cap their written methods for addition and subtraction and solve some challenging word problems, using their reasoning and problem-solving skills.

Home Learning: Occasionally maths sheets will be sent home, please continue to ensure the children are practising their tables on TT Rockstars.

Computing: In computing the children will be reviewing their understanding of coding and learning about if/else statements. They will be learning to use variables during coding, such as counters and timers.

English

The children will be looking at different genres of writing in more depth in Year 4. This term they will be focussing on the differences between fiction and non-fiction writing.

The class reader will be 'Charlie and the Chocolate Factory.' This will provide many interesting writing opportunities; from letters to character descriptions and even adding some chapters of their own to add to the story. SPaG will continue to be a focus, the children will re-cap how to use their punctuation correctly, including commas and speech marks. They will also begin to understand how and when to use adverbial phrases.

In PE the children will be competing circuit training outdoors (weather permitting) and gymnastics (using the apparatus) every fortnight.

The skill we are thinking about this term is:

Tolerance

Music: The children will follow Music Express, learning about rhythm, tempo and pitch. They will listen to voices to understand how to create high and low pitch.

SMSC will focus on human rights as we look at 'Romans' in topic and think about how Christians were persecuted. The children will think about how far we have come when people are free to choose their beliefs and values.

History/Geography/Art/DT

We will learn about the Romans this term. Our focus will be on learning about the empire and how it affected a variety of countries. The children will learn about the soldiers and how Roman citizens lived. A timeline will help them to understand when the Romans ruled and map work will develop their understanding of where they invaded. They will complete portraits of themselves as Roman soldiers and begin to learn about Caesar.