

Science:

Our topic this term is 'The Human body'. We will be learning about teeth and the bones that make up the human skeleton. In addition to this, we will discover key facts about the circulatory and digestive systems, the different food groups, while promoting an awareness of how to eat healthily. The children will also look at the effects of exercise on our body.

History:

We will be studying the Tudors, starting with the Battle of Bosworth and the reign of the Tudor dynasty. Then, investigating the life of King Henry VIII and why he married six times and the differences between the lives of the rich and poor. We will also learn about Elizabeth I. We will be going on our school trip to Hampton Court Palace as part of our History topic. This will be on the 28th June.

Art and DT: We will be studying a new topic called painting and mixed media, where we will explore mixing paints and different types of shading. In Summer 2 we will be making slingshot cars as part of our DT topic.

Music: This term we will be looking at expression and improvisation. Improvisation is a way to express our feelings. Music comes from our hearts. We will then look at a unit called The Show Must Go on, this will include creating a performing their own music.

Other Information

Seesaw: Mr Clarke and Miss Hollick will upload the weekly homework and keep you informed with any important news.

PE:

The children will be taught athletics on a Monday by their teachers. After half term, they will be learning kwik-cricket instead of rounders. We will be completing the Golden Mile twice a week.

Please ensure that all of your child's PE kit is clearly labelled with their name. Full uniform should be worn at all times. Any missing kit will result in missed playtimes. Children **must** have trainers in school everyday as the Golden mile days could vary.

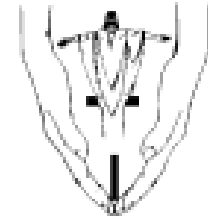
Please make sure that your child is equipped with a sun hat for the warmer and sunnier weather. A water bottle is a must.

PSHE:

We will continue to follow the Jigsaw scheme in class. This term we focus on relationships.

We continue focusing on our Gospel Values and Catholic Social Teaching principles.

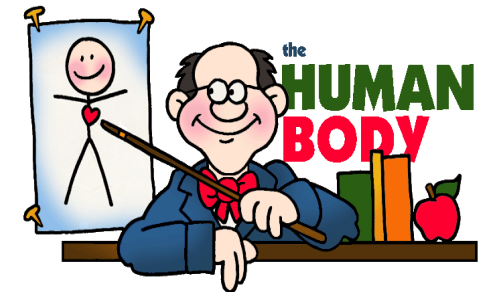
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Literacy

Reading: We will continue using the Accelerated Reader quizzes and Star Analysis quizzes to assess children on their word level reading as well as their comprehension of a text.

Writing: The children will be looking at the Day the Crayons quit and writing persuasive letters, we will be creating our own Shakespeare plays as well as looking at portal stories and creating our own poetry.

Please encourage the children to write as often as possible at home, reading their work back out loud when they have finished.

Spelling/Grammar: The focus will be on writing sentences using a range of connectives and the children will be encouraged to use fronted adverbials. We will also continue to develop our independent spelling strategies.

Speaking and Listening: Our speaking and listening skills will be developed through drama and role-play.

Gardening: We will be growing sunflowers and strawberries.

French: French lessons will include;

Being able to ask for food and how much it costs. Also, talking about the languages we speak.

Numeracy

This term in numeracy we will continue to follow the National Curriculum for Year 4. We will be using resources from the White Rose hub scheme to develop the children's fluency, reasoning and problem solving skills in the following areas.

- Decimals
- Money
- Time
- Shape
- Position and direction
- Statistics

It is essential to log on to Times

Tables Rockstars and for children to play in the sound check mode, as the year 4 times

tables assessment will take place this term. If you play in the soundcheck mode, this replicates the test conditions and will allow the children to become familiar with the process.

ICT: During this term, ICT will be taught using the Kapow scheme. The children will be working on programming (further coding with Scratch) and data handling (investigating weather). We will also focus on developing the children's understanding of online safety.

Homework: Weekly times tables and spellings will be set and then tested each Friday. Children are also expected to read to an adult at least 3 times a week and their reading diaries should be signed. This is monitored on a Friday morning.

Times Tables assessment.

The children will complete a times tables assessment, these are completed online on a Chromebook in school, please ensure your child practices regularly and uses a laptop/Chromebook to help them.

Uniform

Please remember children must have school coats, no earrings are allowed, these include retainers.