

Literacy

In Literacy this term we are going to

begin by looking at stories involving defeating a monster, children will learn and internalise 'The Cobbler of Karkow and Smok the Dragon of Wawel', this will allow them to understand the structure of the text type and the literary features used in this type of text. Ultimately, this will lead to all children independently writing their own 'defeat a monster' story.

As part of a whole school literacy topic, the children will read the BFG, which will provide them with a variety of writing opportunities and drama skills. Children will develop their inference and deduction skills through Book Talk which will look at different genres weekly.



Year 4 - India

Ms Lee, Mrs Scott & Mrs Phillips



Maths

In Maths children will be learning about perimeter and area of 2D shapes. They will move on to fractions and decimals and will learn to count up and down in hundredths, rounding decimal numbers to the nearest whole number and comparing numbers with the same number of decimal places, as well as much more.

Times tables will be a big focus, all children in year 4 should be able to recall times tables facts all the way up to 12 x 12, the children will be tested on this weekly.

Children will continue to work on their arithmetic skills and be tested on these weekly.



Science

In Science, we will be investigating solids, liquids and gases and how materials may change states due to heating or cooling.

We will look at how electricity works and create circuits to test whether materials conduct electricity or insulate.

Geography and History

In Geography, we will be using atlases to locate India, key landmarks and human and physical features of India, as well as climate and environment. In history, children we learn about different historical figures including Ghandi.

Music

Pupils will learn more songs, singing in rounds to enhance their listening skills and concentration. They will also be introduced to the recorder and have a chance to begin learning to play the instrument.



PE

In PE, children will be developing their skills in Swimming, we will have six sessions where the outcome is that every child should be able to swim 25m.

With Ms Perry children will develop their fine motor skills and aiming in archery. They will learn how to hold a bow and arrow correctly.

ICT

Children will continue to learn about e-safety and putting things online. Children will begin to understand algorithms and recognise that some algorithms rely upon a strict order to work. Children will also use ICT to support other areas of the curriculum.

Art and DT

Children will look at different rangoli patterns and learning about Henna patterns, they will then design and create their own. In DT children will taste different foods from India and prepare different recipes from India. They will also create their own Indian sweets to test, evaluate and modify their recipes.



RE and PSHE

In RE, children will look at different religions observed in India, with a specific focus on Sikhism. In PSHE, children will focus on health and wellbeing, looking at growing and changing, keeping safe as well as relationships and valuing difference.

Things to remember:

PE - children will have PE with Ms Perry on a Wednesday afternoon and swimming on a Thursday morning.

Spellings - children will get given weekly spellings on a Friday, they will be tested on these spellings the following Friday.

How can you support your child?

You can support your child at home by helping them to learn their spellings and completing their homework. Reading with your child regularly will support their fluency and asking them questions about the book will build comprehension skills. You can also practise mental recall of times tables and division facts as children will have weekly timetable quizzes.