



Curriculum newsletter

Spring term 2024

Class 4

English

In English this term, we will begin with focusing on the text *The Selfish Giant* by Oscar Wilde. This is a story based on a selfish giant who doesn't allow the village children to play in his garden. During this book, the children will explore the text through a range of immersion and engagement activities and will write a range of texts, including diaries, letters, posters and reports before writing their own narratives.

Following this, we will be exploring the book *Cinnamon* by Neil Gaiman and Divya Sringivasan. At the beginning of this text we will be making inferences about the characters and situations in the story. Afterwards, we will go on to consider the emotions of the characters including Cinnamon herself and also of their parents while creating adverts.

Maths

In Maths, we will firstly be concentrating on Multiplication & Division where we will introduce factors & factor pairs while continuing to work on division and multiplying 3-digit by 1-digit numbers. Next, we will be focusing on Fractions. Here, pupils will be learning to identify and understand improper fractions before converting them to mixed numbers. We will then focus on equivalent fractions before adding and subtracting fractions. Following this, we will be turning our attention to Decimals. During this unit, we will be working on recognising tenths as fractions & decimals before learning to divide 1/2-digit numbers by 10.

Throughout these units, the children will be encouraged to challenge themselves by applying their learning to complete problem solving and reasoning questions.

PE

In PE, the children will develop their dynamic balance on a line and ball skills by practicing techniques and incorporating them into activities/games.

RE

Following on from last terms study of Hindu, we will be learning about life as a Hindu living in Britain today. This will include exploring festivals and worship at home.

Computing

In computing, we will be learning to give commands to create shapes and patterns on FMS Logo.

Science

In Science we will firstly be focusing on Light. This will involve investigating what light is and where it comes from, reflection & refraction and how we can use them, how we see light and where it comes from. Afterwards, we will be learning about Space by exploring what solar & lunar eclipse are before looking into solar systems and how planets differ.

History & Geography

For History, we will be studying The Anglo-Saxons. This will include exploring who invaded Britain after the Romans, what life was like for Anglo-Saxons and what they believed.

In Geography, we will be learning about Migration. Here, we will be studying how migrants vary, how migration affects people and places and also about refugees.