

Year 4 2021-22

Summer 1

Parent/Carer Overview



The Core

Reading

The Creakers – Tom Fletcher

During reading sessions, the children will be enjoying the story of The Creakers. Based on this text, they will revise and strengthen their knowledge of VIPERS.

Every morning, the children will practice our reading skills in Book Club. Your child will bring home their phonic reading book along with an Accelerated Reader book every day. These books will be used to develop comprehension skills in reading lessons.

Writing

The Creakers – Tom Fletcher

Diary entry – Your child will write a diary entry from the perspective of a character in the class novel. They will learn a range of skills needed to complete a diary entry before independently applying the skills of their writing.

Persuasive letter - Your child will write a persuasive letter linked to our novel. They will learn a range of skills needed to complete a persuasive letter before independently applying the skills of their writing.

Maths

Fractions

This half term, your child will continue their work with fractions. They will be able to recognise and show, using diagrams families of equivalent fractions. Using their previous knowledge, they will solve simple measure and money problems, involving fractions.

To ensure we are ready for June, we will continue to work heavily on our timetables facts for multiplication tables up to 12 x 12.

Science

States of Matter

During this half term, your child will carry out a range of experiments to support their learning of States of Matter. They will identify properties of solids, liquids, and gases, as well as comparing and grouping them. Your child will investigate what happens to materials they are heated or cooled.

Also, your child will focus on the water cycle and explain what happens in each section.

Art & Design

Coastlines

Through investigation and research your child will create a digitalised poster of a local coastline. They will use a range of medias (collage, pencils and painting) to create their own interpretation of the coastline. Once your child has produced their art work they will use an Ipad to turn their creation into a digitalised image. Throughout this topic, your child will reflect on their work and their peers.

Design & Technology

Design & Technology will be taught in Summer 2.

Music

Samba Drumming

Whilst working with Dr Heurtier your child will create their own ostinato rhythms, using previous knowledge to play a repeated pattern which can change depending on the time signature on a samba drum. They will then play these rhythms in time with others.

Additionally, your child will continue to have weekly clarinet lessons with Miss Longmuir where they will continue to broaden their knowledge in music whilst playing the clarinet.

Geography

Geography will be taught in Summer 2.

RE

How and why do people show care for others?

Throughout this topic your child will look into contrasting religious and non-religious views surrounding the subject of caring for others. Your child will consider what Christians and Muslims say about caring for others and compare them with each other and against a non-religious worldview.

Your child will be an opportunity to develop critical thinking, discussing questions such as 'Who should care for others?'

History

Vikings

This term, the children will study the Viking struggle for the Kingdom of England. Your child will explore the stereotypical view of Vikings and use sources of evidence to investigate interpretations of this era.

Your child will also use evidence to make connections and analyse trends in where and why the Vikings settled, as well as investigating key turning points in the struggle of the Saxons with the Vikings.

PE

Multi – skills

Whilst working with Mr Curtis your child will be developing a variety of their athletic skills. Your child will build upon their knowledge from Year 3 and work on refining their skills in both track and field.

Football

This half term, a teacher from our School Sports Partnership will help us develop our football skills. As well as developing our understanding of the game rules.

Computing

Data Handling

Working with Mrs Ramirez, your child will ask and answer questions about spreadsheets and use given data to create their own spreadsheets. Then, use their own data to create independent spreadsheets.

Your child will also continue to focus on how to stay safe on the internet, recognising acceptable and unacceptable behaviour.

MFL

Essential vocabulary

This half term, your child will ask for simple opinions in French and verbally discuss their own. They will rehearse and revise several sentences from memory, with accurate pronunciation for others to understand.

Also, your child will prepare and present a set of simple instructions to a group for them to follow.

PSHE

Relationships

This half term, your child will recognise how people are feeling when they miss a special person or animal. Your child will suggest ways that might help to manage feelings when experiencing the feelings of missing someone/thing.

Also, your child will recognise how friendships change, know how to make new friends and how to manage when falling out with friends.

The Creatives

The Humanities

The Wider Curriculum