

Year 4 2023-24

Autumn 1

Parent/Carer Overview

The Core

Reading

Tuesday – Davis Wiesner
Charlotte's Web – E.B. White

During reading sessions, your child will be enjoying the picture book 'Tuesday' and the classic novel 'Charlotte's Web'. Based on these texts, they will revise and strengthen their knowledge of VIPERS. Every morning, your child 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

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Newspaper Article - Your child will write a newspaper article about events in Tuesday. They will learn a range of skills needed to complete a newspaper report before independently applying the skills of their writing.

Non-chronological Report - Your child will research spiders in order to write a non-chronological report. They will share their reports with other classes to inform them. They will learn a range of skills before independently applying the skills of their writing.

Poetry - We will be learning the poem 'Wings' by Pie Corbett and adapting this to create our own versions, exploring and making careful vocabulary choices

Maths

Number and Place Value

In the first half term of Year 4, your child will revisit Number and Place Value; deepening their understanding of numbers up to and beyond 1000. Your child will use various equipment and representations to support their understanding of the value of each digit.

Throughout the term your child will order and compare numbers in various ways. They will use the symbol for 'more than', 'less than' or 'equal too' as (< > =) to order and compare numbers. They will develop skills to be able to place numbers in an ascending or descending sequence. Your child will also round numbers to nearest 10, 100 and 1000.

Science

Living Things and Their Habitats

During autumn term, your child will carry out a range of experiments to support their learning of Living Things and their Habitats. Your child will name the main animal and plant groups, describe their features, and use a key to identify. Your child will also enjoy a trip to Hardwick Park to support their topic, focusing on the different plants grown there.

Art & Design

Albrecht Durer

Your child will study the work of Albrecht Durer whilst studying shape, line and colour to evoke emotion related to an endangered animal or plant

Your child will create an individual piece using a variety of line styles whilst developing their understanding of proportion and scale.

Once the final piece is created your child will evaluate this through exploring what went well and what they would do differently next time in order to improve their work.

Design & Technology

DT will be taught in Autumn 2.

Music

Recorders

Whilst working with Mr Gillson, your child will develop musical skills, understanding and knowledge through continuing to play the recorder. They should begin to feel more confident when playing all of the notes on a recorder and they will be able to play as part of an ensemble confidently and with expression.

Geography

Why does Italy Rattle?

This term, your child will develop their knowledge of the Campania region of Italy, focusing on physical and human features and land use. They will use their knowledge to make comparisons with the North-East of England.

RE

The Bible

This half term, your child will learn about Christianity and begin to understand how the Bible provides Christians with support, comfort and inspiration.

We will discover how God is authoritative to Christians and your child will explore who is authoritative in their life. We will learn about the differing ways the Bible can be interpreted. During this time, your child will be given the opportunity to reflect on their own ideas, feelings and experiences whilst having the opportunity to ask questions and form views about the significance of the Bible today.

History

History will be taught in Autumn 2.

PE

Commando Joe

Whilst working with Mr Lowerson, your child will engage in exciting, physical activities built around the theme of the Amazon Adventures of Bear Grylls, which develop and embed the use of our Ribbon Virtues

Football

While learning to work as a team, your child will develop passing, shooting and dribbling skills. They will play alongside other each other to compete in small games.

Computing

The Internet

Working with Mrs Ramirez, your child will understand how computers are connected to the internet, the advantages and disadvantages of this and any associated dangers.

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

MFL

Essential vocabulary

This half term, your child will work on their fluency of basic greetings in French. Your child will be able to say hello, good morning and have a basic conversation with their peers.

Your child will also learn the colours of the rainbow and begin to recognise numbers and count up to 20 independently.

PSHE

Being me and my world

Across this half term, your child will explore their own feelings, how to identify other's feelings and how to make others feel valued.

Your child will begin to understand how their actions and choices can affect themselves and other people. They will become aware of their rights and responsibilities.

The Creatives

The Humanities

The Wider Curriculum