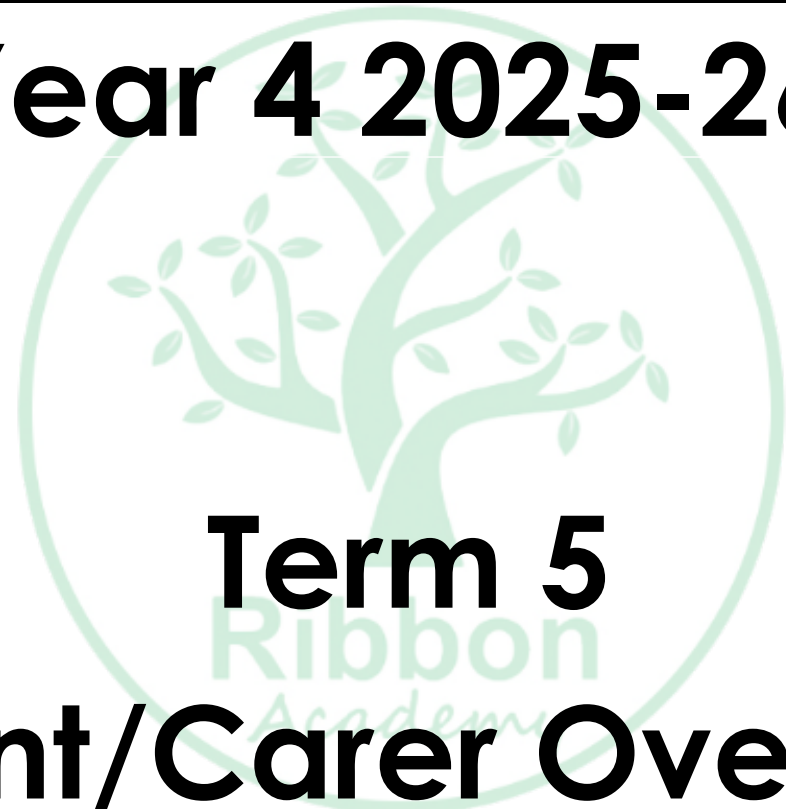


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Term 5

Parent/Carer Overview

The Core

Reading

Monster Slayer – Brian Patten

During reading sessions, your child will be enjoying the story of Monster Slayer (a retelling of an Anglo-Saxon story). Based on this text, they will revise and strengthen their knowledge of VIPERS.

Every morning, they will practice reading skills in Book Club. Your child will bring home their phonic reading book and/or an Accelerated Reader book every day. These books will be used to develop comprehension skills in reading lessons.

Writing

Monster Slayer – Brian Patten

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

Narrative – Your child will write a narrative, developing characters through speech, by adapting the narrative arc from the novel. They will use an array of techniques to describe the great hall from 'Monster Slayer'. They will learn a range of skills needed to complete a setting description before independently applying the skills of their writing.

Maths

Fractions

This half term your child will develop their knowledge of geometry identifying angles, lines of symmetry and coordinates. They will also describe 2-D grid coordinates and use these to describe movement between positions as translations of a given unit.

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

Science

States of Matter

During this half term, your child will explore electricity. We will look at identifying which appliances run on electricity and which kind of power source they use before discussing how to stay safe around electricity. We will then construct and draw simple series circuits adding in components such as switches. Finally, we will identify and explain conductors and insulators.

The Creatives

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 artwork, they will use an iPad to turn their creation into a digitalised image. Throughout this topic, your child will reflect on their work and that of their peers.

Design & Technology

Design & Technology will be taught in Term 6.

Music

Samba Music

Working with Mr. Gillson, your child will begin linking the style of samba music to basic ostinato rhythms. They will develop a basic understanding of what an ostinato rhythm is and how it repeats and goes on and on. Your child will also begin using some basic music terminology and vocabulary when describing instruments, appraising music and composing simple rhythms.

The Humanities

Geography

Coasts

This half term, your child will look in depth at features and processes at the coast, to begin to develop their knowledge of the physical processes shaping the land.

They will take part in planning and undertaking fieldwork to develop and apply a range of fieldwork techniques and geographical skills on their visit to Seaham beach.

RE

How and why do people show care for others?

Throughout this topic, your child will investigate the 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, comparing these beliefs and a non-religious worldview.

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

History

History will be taught in Term 6.

The Wider Curriculum

PE

Athletics

Whilst working with Mr. Lowerson, your child will be developing a range of skills, to improve sprinting and jumping techniques and developing throwing for distance and accuracy. In addition, your child will practice and improve officiating and performing skills.

Cricket

This half term, your child will be developing their throwing, catching and batting skills through the game of cricket. In addition, they will refine working as part of a team and their understanding of the game rules.

Computing

Green screen

Working with Mrs. Ramirez, your child will take their experience of creating videos to a larger and more creative scale. From this unit, they will learn how to design backgrounds and add effects which help them to create entertaining videos, fit for purpose. The trial and error of your child creating green screen videos will be built upon in future years when their videos are more accurate and designed for a purpose.

MFL

Essential vocabulary

This half term, your child will consolidate their French vocabulary and grammar linked to the topic of 'fruit'. We will learn the names of ten different fruits and be introduced to the opinions 'I like' and 'I do not like'.

New sentence stems will be learnt as well as having the opportunity to apply previous learning.

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 they experience 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.