Year 4 2026-27

Term 1 Parent/Carer Overview

The Core

Reading

Charlotte's Web – E.B. White

During reading sessions, your child will be enjoying the classic novel 'Charlotte's Web'. They will use this book to 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

Place Value of Punctuation and Grammar

This term, your child will focus on the building blocks of a sentence, refining their understanding of nouns, verbs and clauses. This will support them to write sentences that are grammatically correct and well punctuated.

Non-chronological Report - Spiders

Towards the end of this half term, your child will produce a non-chronological report about spiders.

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 to' 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 100.

Science

Animals including Humans

During this half term, your child will carry out a range of experiments to support their learning of Animals including Humans. Your child will describe the simple functions of basic parts of the digestive system, as well as identify different types of teeth in humans and their simple functions. Your child will also construct and interpret a variety of food chains, identifying producers, predators and prey.

The Creatives

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

Design & Technology will be taught in Term 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.

The Humanities

Geography

Why is Italy unique?

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 Term 2.

The Wider Curriculum

PE

Tag Rugby

Working with Mr Lowerson, your child will develop passing, and dribbling skills. They will play alongside other each other to compete in small games.

Commando Joe

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.

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

J'apprends le français (I Am Learning French)

Your child will continue to build on their French learning through embedding their familiarity with France as a country, as well as further developing their knowledge of greetings, numbers, and colours.

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.