

Year 4 Curriculum Overview – Autumn 1

Maths

In maths this half term, we will be learning about the place value of digits in numbers up to 10,000. This will include making and partitioning, comparing and ordering numbers as well as rounding to the nearest 10 and 100. We will be using our knowledge of place value to answer a range of reasoning and problem-solving questions.

In the second half of Autumn 1, we will be revisiting addition and subtraction. We will be adding and subtracting numbers up to 4-digits and applying this knowledge to reasoning and problem solving.

We will be having a big focus on multiplication and division fact recall this year, in preparation for the multiplication check, so we would appreciate it if you could support your child with this at home. Your child could go on Times Table Rock Stars or Hit the Button to practise their fact recall.



Science

In Science this half term, we will be learning about the human digestive system and how to keep our teeth healthy. We will also be learning about food chains.

PE

In our PE sessions this half term, we will be learning how to play tennis. This will include learning how to perform forehand and backhand shots. This will be an excellent opportunity to develop skills for teamwork games. In addition, we will attend weekly swimming lessons.

How to get involved at home

- Practise multiplication facts on Times Tables Rockstars.
- Continue to complete 'Daily 5' each day.
- Practise spellings weekly.
- Support your child to continue to read their home reading book.

English

In English, we will have a focus on basic skills and spelling of common exception words to ensure that the children are secure. In English, we have started the year by looking at Roald Dahl's George's Marvellous Medicine. We are going to retell the story and use a range of fronted adverbials to support us in doing this.

After this, we will aim to secure the children's understanding of the features of instructions.

Our class text this term will be The First Charlie Small Journal – Gorilla City. We will be practising retrieval reading skills and how we can answer inference questions based on what we have read.

PSHE

In PSHE this half term, we will be learning about feelings and emotions. We will also be learning about healthy relationships and lifestyles.

History

In history this half term, we will be carrying out a local study of Sunderland glass. We will learn that glassmaking, along with coal mining, were two of the region's most significant industries for many years and we will look at the impact they had on Sunderland.

RE

In RE this half term, we will be learning about the Trinity and exploring why it is important for Christians.

Art

In art this half term, we will be studying the work of Claude Monet. We will examine the techniques used by the artist and then will apply our new skills into creating our own artwork.

Music

In music this half term, we will continue our music lessons with Mr Hamilton. We will also have a focus on signing this half term.

Spanish

In Spanish this half term, we will be focusing on our phonics and pronunciation. This will help us to improve our ability to read Spanish and recognise the correct pronunciation of different words and sounds.