

Year 4 Curriculum Overview – Autumn 2

Maths

In maths this half term, we will learn to read time and convert from the 12-hour clock to the 24-hour clock. We will compare and classify geometric shapes, identify acute angles up to two right angles by size. The children will draw symmetrical patterns using a variety of media to become familiar with different orientations of lines of symmetry. We will also plot specified points and draw sides to complete a given polygon. We will continue to practise recalling multiplication facts to 12×12 .

In the second part of this half term, we will be learning about position and direction. This will include describing positions on a 2-D grid using coordinates and describing movements between positions as translations.

English

In English, we will build on our basic skills and secure our understanding of fronted adverbials for time, reason, manner and place. We apply our skills by writing a narrative with 4 parts (beginning, build-up, climax and resolution). This will help children learn to create characters and settings in narratives. As we get close to Christmas, the children will learn about persuasive texts in the context of adverts and will write their own adverts, applying skills such as exaggerated language, bold claims, and slogans. In the first half of the term, we will continue reading our class text 'The First Charlie Small Journal-Gorilla City'. Approaching Christmas, we will read 'A Christmas Carol' from the story by Charles Dickens. We will be practising summarising and retrieval skills.



Science

In science this half term, we will be learning about living things and their habitats. We will learn that living things can be grouped in a variety of ways. We will look at animals and habitats in our local area.

RE

In RE this half term, we will learn about beliefs and practices within Hinduism. We will identify some Hindu deities and say how they help Hindus describe God.

How to get involved at home

- Continue to practise multiplication facts on Times Tables Rockstars or Hit the Button.
- Encourage your child to read the time on a clock face and digital clock.
- Continue to complete 'Daily 5' each day.
- Practise spellings weekly.
- Support your child to continue to read their home reading book.

Geography

In geography this half term, we will be learning the names of countries in Europe, which seas and oceans surround Europe and know some of the physical features of Europe.

DT

In DT this half term, we will develop design criteria to inform the computer aided design of a Christmas gift box. We will add graphics to the design and then make and evaluate the product.

PE

In PE this half term, we will be studying gymnastics. We will use movement to communicate an idea and use expression to convey emotion.

Music

In music this half term, we will continue our chalumeau lessons.

Spanish

In Spanish this half term, we will learn to name the seasons.