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 1000. This will include making and partitioning numbers as well as rounding to the nearest 10 and 100. 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 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.

English

In English, we will have a focus on basic skills and spelling of high frequency words to ensure that the children are secure to continue to progress in key stage 2. We will then be writing our own narratives for The Kapok Tree by Lynn Cherry, using fronted adverbials for time and place.

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 defining words using the context of the sentence.

PSHE

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



Science

In Science this half term, we will be learning about the human digestion systems 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.



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.

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 transfer those ideas to our own artwork.

Music

In music this half term, we will continue our chalumeau lessons with Mr Little. Please make sure your child brings their chalumeau into school every Wednesday.

Spanish

In Spanish this half term, we will be learning phrases to describe how we are feeling. We will also learn to spell, write and say numbers to 20.