

Creative

Design and Technology

This term, your child will be using their creative skills to design and make a pillow. They will be learning new sewing skills, carefully choosing the correct technique to complete the pillow. The children will be using a range of materials, choosing one that has a suitable function and would be wanted by the consumer. Once completed, they will be analysing their product against the design criteria and identifying future areas for development.

Music

This term, we will continue to develop our knowledge of beat, rhythm, pitch and tempo. We will be using body percussion to replicate a beat and rhythm. Children will be listening to an appraising a variety of music identifying the different elements. This term, children will be working with Dr. Hardy (Durham Music Service) to learn how to play the recorder.

PE

In PE, your child will be developing their physical skills by playing Handball. Children will be developing their throwing technique and control as well as their aim. They will be continuing to work on their hand eye coordination, throwing and catching in games scenarios.

Forest School

In Forest School, your child will be learning in a child-led environment with learning being facilitated with national curriculum links. They will be learning to use a variety of tools and the natural environment around them to be creative and learning fire safety. Children will also be beginning to cook using fires.

Computing

This term, your child will be improving their mouse skills and digital literacy by beginning to use Microsoft packages and safely searching using the internet. Children will also look at the influence technology has on our day to day lives and what impact the internet has on us. Children will also continue to develop their online safety knowledge.

Websites

Times Table Rockstars - <https://trockstars.com/>

Humanities (History, Geography)

History

Your child will be continuing developing their chronological awareness by placing significant events and people on a timeline. The topic this term is ancient Greece and children will be looking closely at what it was like in ancient Greece, the gods and goddesses and Greek mythology. Children will also look at Leonidas of Sparta as a significant individual and be comparing him to other significant leaders. Finally, children will be looking at the Trojan horse as a significant event and how this effected history.

Autumn 1 - Year 4

Books/resources/films/music/visits/visitors/role play etc

This term, we will be reading a range of literature linking to out other topics on genres of writing. We will be reciting poems for National Poetry Day. Our class book for this term is 'Max and the Millions' by Ross Montgomery.

English

This term, your child will be writing across a range of genres including, narratives and letters. We will be focusing on the features and purposes of each text type as well as the structures. Your child will be exploring new vocabulary to include in their writing.

Basic Skills

Your child will be recapping a range of punctuation from the previous year, as well as learning a range of new vocabulary. As well as this, they will be exploring word types and being encouraged to identify these throughout their reading and writing.

Reading

Children will be developing their comprehension skills using retrieval and there will also be a focus on their inferencing skills across fiction and non-fiction texts.

Science

Working scientifically - space

In this topic, your child will develop their knowledge of space while exploring features of space using experiments. Children will name the planets as well as order the planets from the closest to furthest from the sun as well as identify information about the planets. Children will also be testing materials looking to see which materials could be used to make a satellite in space and using scientific vocabulary in their explanation

RE

This term, your child will be focusing on 'What do Christians learn from the creation story?' Children will look at the creation story in detail linking to the significance to Christians and Adam and Eve's 'Fall'. Children will explore the artwork, The Big Frieze by Emma Yarlett linking to both creation and The Fall.

Maths

Mental

Children will be continuing to develop their ability to recall number bonds to 100. As well as, consolidating their knowledge of partitioning and ordering numbers. The children will also continue to demonstrate their understanding of roman numerals and build on the ability to mentally add and subtract.

Main

In maths this term, your child will be working on developing their place value skills for four-digit numbers which will be used to solve addition and subtraction problems. Your child will be using a range of concrete objects and visual representations to support them. Children will use a range of methods to solve problems and we will be working to select the most appropriate method to solve the problem. In addition, children will be introduced to negative numbers applying their skills of addition and subtraction too.

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