

Lainshaw Primary School Termly Newsletter
P3/4 & 4M Term 3 2023/2024



Happy New Year everyone! As we welcome pupils back after the Christmas break, we look forward to the term ahead filled with new learning opportunities. During Term 3 we will be exploring new and interesting topics and working together as a team to achieve our goals. We hope that 2024 brings lots of fun for all pupils in P3/4 & P4M.

Language & Literacy



This term we will continue to make progress through our new spelling programme, increasing pupil's ability to break, make and sound out new phonemes and common words. We will use a range of active approaches to consolidate previous learning. We will continue to develop their use of the six Active Literacy reading strategies through pupil's individual reading books. We will also begin to explore non-fiction texts through our new topic. Pupils will develop their own fluency as well as comprehension of the texts. In writing, we will be exploring different topics and learning to organise new knowledge through Information Reports. Children will be learning to research topics using digital literacies and developing their note taking skills through this writing genre.

Numeracy & Mathematics



This term we will continue to focus on multiplication. We will continue to use arrays, equal groups and repeated addition to build a stronger understanding of our times tables and practice skip counting daily to improve pupil's fluency. Pupils will also begin to multiply multi-digit numbers. We will then introduce division. We will use a range of strategies such as repeated subtraction, equal groups and sharing to explore the fact families. Towards the end of the term we will also begin to explore fractions and time. Pupils will use real life contexts to explore these topics.

Health & Wellbeing



PE- In PE this term we will be developing our skills in basketball. Through these sessions we hope to improve our ball control, passing and shooting abilities whilst working together as a team to, in turn, improve our communication skills. We will also look at gymnastics during this term.

Health – This term we will be looking at Internet Safety. We will be exploring ways to keep our personal information safe and how we can remain kind online. We will continue to build positive relationships and develop our friendships in class using the PATHS programme.

Interdisciplinary Learning



This term we will begin our new topic 'The Romans'. We will be exploring their daily lives, Roman architecture and the spread of the Roman Empire. We will make comparisons between their lives and our own, focusing on how the Empire impacted on how our society looks today. Pupils will build their own 3D models of Roman chariots, create their own battle shields and roman mosaics. Pupils hope to share all of their learning of this topic at an assembly later in the year.

Additional Information

- For P3/4 PE days will be Monday and Wednesday.
- For P4M PE days will remain a Wednesday and Friday.

We ask if all pupils could please bring shorts/leggings and a change of trainers. This is for their own safety and ability to take part in gym sessions.