

Lainshaw Primary School Termly Newsletter

P4 Term 3 2024/2025



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 2025 brings lots of fun for all pupils in P4!

Language & Literacy

This term we will continue to make progress through our Wraparound 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 our class novel 'Matilda'. 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 be focussing on multiplication. We will be learning 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.

When children are familiar with multiplication we will introduce 'Multiplication Masters' – a daily rotation of activities to increase their fluency of recalling stations of each times table.

We will then be moving on to 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. Pupils will use real life contexts to explore these topics.



Health & Wellbeing

PE - In PE this term we will be developing our skills in gymnastics. Children will be learning to balance, roll and jump using their balance and coordination skills to assist them. Later in the term we will move on to 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.

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 'Ancient Greece'. We will be exploring their daily lives, architecture and mythology. We will make comparisons between their lives and our own, focusing on how Greek culture impacted on how our society looks today. Pupils will build their own 3D models of Greek vases, create their own battle shields and try out some traditional Olympic sports. Pupils hope to share all of their learning of this topic at an assembly later in the year.



Additional Information

- For P4L PE days will remain a Tuesday and Friday.
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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.