

Term 2 Curriculum Overview

Primary 4

English

- Reading - We will focus on reading with expression and taking note of punctuation and paragraphs. We will also continue to develop our skills with answering inferential questions about a text.
- Writing - We will be exploring how our word choice can engage our reader. We will begin creating imagery through use of adjectives and adverbs.
- We will also begin to organise our writing into paragraphs.
- Phonics and Spelling - We will continue to develop strategies to spell words with greater independence. We will continue to learn a new spelling pattern each week.
- Grammar - We will develop our skills of using synonyms of verbs. We will revise alphabetical order and use this to build on our dictionary skills.

Other Curricular Areas

Our topic this term is "Forces and Energy."

Throughout the term we will -

- Discover how sound is created through vibrations
- Investigate how to change the pitch of the sound
- By investigating forces on toys and other objects, predict the effect on the shape or motion of an object.
- Explore the forces exerted by magnets on other magnets and magnetic materials,
- Explore technologies and their uses in the wider world.
- Pupil Choice - we had the following questions:
What is electricity? Who discovered gravity?
What makes humans and animals fast or slow?

This term we will focus on our School Value of Safety.

Mathematics

- Develop addition and subtraction skills with 3-digit numbers.
- Tell the time using digital and analogue clocks.
- Read calendars and timetables while beginning to calculate duration.

Physical Education

- In PE with Mrs Ritchie, we will be learning new gymnastics skills.
- We will also continue to have swimming for the first 4 weeks of this term.

French

- Continue to develop vocabulary to share information such as age, hair colour and eye colour.
- Listen and respond to basic classroom instructions in French.

Art

We will explore the force of gravity to create splat art pictures.
We will create Christmas cards, art and decorations.

Music

We will be learning about the science of music, looking at how vibrations cause sounds, how sound travels and how sound is made. We will also learn about how sounds can change pitch and loudness. In preparation for our Christmas service at the end of the term, we will be learning some traditional carols.

Homework

Your child will take their reading book home daily along with a note of pages to be read aloud to an adult each night. You can also find an optional family learning grid on our class blog which gives details of home learning activities linked to our topic of Forces and Energy.