

PUSCPS – LEARNING OVERVIEW

P4 – Term 2 (October - December)

The main focus for learning this term will be:

Literacy - Book study on Roald Dahl's George's Marvellous Medicine Enterprise - Christmas Fair

Literacy

Reading: Skills will be developed through our book study topic with a focus on how writers use structure, characters and/or setting and word choice to create exciting and interesting stories. Comprehension skills will also be developed through guided reading tasks. Children will be encouraged to read for enjoyment through personal choice reading for homework and weekly visits to the school library. Group reading books will be introduced on completion of our book study. Reading for enjoyment should also be encouraged at home.

Writing: The children will be taught a variety of styles of writing e.g. imaginative, personal and functional, through their book study topic. They will continue developing and using their core skills - capital letters, full stops, finger spaces and connectives. Pupils will also be encouraged to up-level their work by using more interesting openers and vocabulary.

Handwriting: We have identified the letters which we find difficult to write in cursive and we will focus on these to begin with. We will then continue to work on joining our letters and using cursive in our work.

Spelling: The class will be exploring spelling patterns and continuing to develop their sight words.

Listening and Talking: Children will be developing their questioning skills through discussion and links with their reading. The children will be given the opportunity to contribute to group and class discussions across the curriculum and participate in weekly circle time activities.

Grammar: Using a dictionary and ordering words. Using a thesaurus. Substituting personal pronouns for nouns.

Numeracy

Multiplication/Division:

Consolidation of multiplication Link multiplication with division

Addition and Subtraction:

Looking at various strategies for both addition and subtraction (both mental and written). Linking addition and subtraction facts.

Money:

Change from various amounts
Conversion of pounds to pence
Decimal notation of money
Identification of coins and notes to £20



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Health and Wellbeing

The children will be focusing on their responsibility to keep themselves and others safe, develop risk assessment skills and identify ways to minimise risks. They will learn who can help in various situations, how to access the help and familiarise themselves with codes which help them keep safe e.g. Green Cross Code.

PE: the children will be developing their ball skills, working towards our bench ball tournament in November followed by Scottish Country Dancing. We will also be looking at developing our racket skills through badminton. The children will participate in the daily mile. Please ensure that children have suitable shoes available for running outside each day.

Interdisciplinary Learning

Our first topic this term will be a book study exploring Roald Dahl's George's Marvellous Medicine in depth.

We will also be completing an Enterprise topic for the Christmas Fair.

Discrete subjects

Music: NYCOS visiting specialist. Continue to work on beat, rhythm and pitch. Christmas Songs.

Drama: Using drama in relation to HWB and Book Study

Art: Observational drawing and painting

Science: Water - We will be looking in depth at the water cycle and changing state, as well as practical uses

and world issues. Materials - Selecting substances and dissolving related to our book study.

RME: Water and its importance in religion. Christmas. French: Days of the week, birthdays and clothing

Technology: Using software to develop coding skills. Designing and creating enterprise products.

Opportunities for personal achievement and involvement in the ethos and life of the school

Pumphie Pals

Class reps for: Green Gang, Pupil Council and Magale / Rights Respecting Schools.

Quality Diner JLT Groups

Other information

Library day will be a Wednesday.

Gym will be every Monday and Wednesday. Please make sure your child has a gym kit and gym shoes that fit well in school on these days. (No crop tops please)

Homework:

Spelling will be given out on a Monday and to be returned on a Friday.

Reading: Personal reading. Group reading books will commence on completion of our book study. Children will read up to twice a week. Please check their reading records daily.

Maths/Numeracy: To develop recall of times tables and keep track of this on their record sheet.