

Primary 4 Newsletter

August - October 2020



We hope you had a great summer holiday! Welcome to Primary 4. This is what we will be learning this term...



Numeracy & Maths

This term the main focus for Maths will be Shape, position and movement. The children will be developing skills in identifying and comparing 2D and 3D shapes. They will also use compass points to help them locate positions and follow directions.

In Numeracy, we will be looking at place value and working with larger numbers. We will also use this knowledge of place value when adding and subtracting. We will be learning different strategies for Mental Maths through Number Talks.

Literacy & English

Reading will be heard in school on a Monday and a Thursday.

In Reading, we will be working on reading aloud. We will focus on reading with expression, using punctuation in the text to help with this. We will also use clues in the text to decode or work out unknown words.

In Writing, our focus will be on descriptive and narrative writing linked to our topic. We will concentrate on sentence structure, organisation and the presentation of our writing.

In Grammar and Punctuation we will be revisiting VCOP and further building on our knowledge to improve our writing.

We are also going to work hard to improve our spelling. There will be words home to learn every fortnight in line with Home Learning and we will also be playing spelling games in class to reinforce these and common words.

Interdisciplinary Learning

This term our main interdisciplinary learning focus will be planned with the children based on a History Topic. We aim to compare how life in the past was different to our lives now. We will look at different evidence from the past including artefacts and reference materials. We will be further developing our understanding of climate zones by investigating food chains. In RME we will be looking at various Old Testament bible stories in order to develop our understanding of Christian beliefs.



Health & Wellbeing

Health and Wellbeing lessons will be delivered at least once a week through the Jigsaw program. This will give the children opportunities to discuss their achievements and returning to school and settling in to their new class. PE lessons will be taught outside only. We will be doing orienteering on a Monday and fitness and running skills on a Thursday.



Additional Information

P.E will take place **outdoors only** on a Monday afternoon and Friday. Children should come to school on these days dressed ready for **outdoor** P.E. Please ensure children have warm P.E. clothes, a waterproof jacket and outdoor trainers.

Please remember to label all clothing.

If you have any comments, concerns or questions please feel free to contact us through our school blog, school office, email or your child's reading record and we will get back to you as soon as possible.

Thanks,
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