



Summer time!

Welcome to your last term in year 4. We hope that you are feeling excited about this term and all of the learning and activities planned.

English

Our focus at the start of this term is conservation. We will be writing a story in the same style as The Promise by Nicola Davies. During the unit, we will look at the impact of plastic pollution and will be writing a narrative about this important topic. We will then move on to writing in the style of David Attenborough when he narrates nature programs.

<u>Maths</u>

Maths this term starts recapping how to find fractions of amounts. After this, we will return to addition and subtraction and how we can use the strategies we have been practicing to solve problems. Finally, we will consolidating our learning of multiplication and division, statistics and measurement.

<u>Science</u>

First, we will be putting our scientist hats on to find out about the process of digestion in animals, including humans. Then we will be investigating different food chains, habitats and using our pond to help us with this.

Geography

During Geography this term, we will be focusing on the UK and the capital city of London. We will refine our compass and map reading skills as well as exploring the Digi-maps program.

ICT

In our computing lessons, we will learning to edit videos using I-Movie. It should be a lot of fun! We will also be designing and coding our own games that use loops. We will be adapting and using ideas from a helicopter game.

PDL and RE

The PDL unit for this term is titled 'Keeping Safe Outside of School.' We will work on understanding risks and avoiding hazardous situations.

During RE, we are thinking about myths and how myths are explored

in Christianity. Together we will look at what myths are, understand the part they play in religion and make links to our own lives.

<u>Art/DT</u>

In art, we will be continuing the conservation theme and thinking about how important trees are to our planet. We will be using an artist called Vanessa Stone to practise drawing and painting trees in proportion. Finally, we will practise cross-hatching to make realistic leaves, before attaching them to our very own, sculpted trees.

Design and technology this term is linked to hand puppets. We are going to be planning and evaluating before and after practising our sewing skills.

Music

This half term, we will be practising our recorder skills - we can't wait to share these with you! After half term, we will also be developing our singing skills again, working hard to create a fantastic performance at our Tea Party later this term.

PE

At the start of the term, we will be practising our tennis skills, improving our grip, forehand and backhand swing as well as keeping our eye on the ball. Following this, we will be getting ready for sports day and improving our athletic skills to help our house team be this year's champions.

Home Learning

Please record your child's reading in their reading log. We ask that children read for a minimum of 10 minutes at least 5 times a week. In doing this, children will be in a great position to complete our termly reading challenge: to read 8 books. Everyone who completes this challenge will be awarded a free book of their choice at the end of term celebration assembly.

Make sure you rock your times tables on TTRS twice a week for 10 minutes (this does not include shop time!). Also practise your addition and subtraction skills on Numbots, again twice a week for 10 minutes. Optional extra maths work is available on MyMaths.

Spelling homework is set online using Spelling Frame. There will be different spellings each week to practise and the children will be tested on these on a Friday.



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Key Events & Dates
Camping: Friday 19th May
Year 4 Assembly: Friday 26th May
Half term: 29th May— 2nd June
Sports Day: Tuesday 13th June
INSET days: Friday 23rd June and Monday 26th June
Tea Party: Friday 14th July
Last day of term: Friday 21st July