

Curriculum Information

RE – From Lent to Easter

We will be learning about the signs, symbols and practices of Lent. We will retell the stories of the Passion from Palm Sunday to Good Friday and learn about the different liturgies of Palm Sunday, Holy Thursday and Good Friday. The children will also receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation in school during Lent.

Literacy – Recounts/Fairy Stories and Playscripts

We will create a class book based on the text Little Mouse's Book of Fears and we will write fictional recounts based on texts read in class. We will write our own fairytale with a twist and write short playscripts.

Spelling/Grammar/Punctuation

We will look at the word endings **-sure** and **-ture** and investigate the prefixes **re-**, **sub-**, **super-**, and **anti-**. We will also investigate words where **ch** makes a **c** or a **sh** sound, **eg chorus, chef**. Our work on punctuation will be ongoing, eg correct use of capital letters, full stops, commas, speech marks etc. A list of spellings will be sent home weekly and your child should practise them in preparation for the following week's dictation. Our grammar work will focus on using fronted adverbials, ie starting sentences in different ways (Later that day... Walking quickly... In the morning...) using time and cause connectives, and the use of pronouns in our writing. We will also use dialogue and look at the differences between spoken and written speech.

Numeracy

Number – (Place Value) Find 1000 more or less than a given number. Order and compare numbers. Round numbers to the nearest 10, nearest 100, and nearest 1000. Multiplication facts up to 12 x 12.

Geometry – Identify acute and obtuse angles and compare and order angles. Use coordinates to describe positions on a grid and look at translations on a grid. Plot points on a grid and draw the sides to complete a shape.

Fractions and Decimals – Add and subtract fractions with the same denominator and find fractions of amounts. Recognise the decimal equivalent of tenths and hundredths. We will recap on rounding decimals to the nearest whole number and compare decimals with the same number of decimal places up to two decimal places.

Measurement - Convert between m and km, and g and kg. Find the area and perimeter of shapes.

Topic Work

In our Rainforest topic we will learn what rainforests are, where in the world they are located and the impact that deforestation has on people and places. We will study the climate, the different layers of the rainforest and study the different living organisms that can be found there.

Science

Electricity - the children will be challenging their knowledge and misconceptions about electricity by exploring a number of electrical games and devices. They will then discover electrical dangers around the home, before making circuits and learning how to represent them in diagrams. Finally, they will test different materials to see whether or not they are conductors or insulators of electricity.

PE/Games

Invasion Games – In games we will focus on marking and tackling and learn how to use these skills in a game.

Dance - We will use the Willow Pattern Plate Story' as inspiration for telling a story through dance.

Computing

The children will be learning how to create a webpage through HTML (Hyper Text Markup Language). They will be exploring how to add and change text on a webpage, as well as how to add images and hyperlinks.

E-Safety

The children will learn that they may get online messages from other children that can make them feel angry, hurt, sad, or fearful. They will identify actions that will make them Upstanders in the face of cyberbullying. For further advice, please visit the following website:

<https://www.kidscape.org.uk/advice/advice-for-young-people/>

We hope you find this information useful. If you have any queries please do not hesitate to speak to us.

The Year 4 Team