

Church C of E Primary Academy

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Termly Newsletter



In this leaflet we will provide you with key information about your child's new year group routines. We will also share information about what your child will be learning about in each subject throughout this academic year.

We hope that you will find this information useful when helping your child with their learning at home.

Welcome to Year 4



Expectations:

- Uniform and PE kits comply with the school's policy.
- Reading books are in school everyday.
- Children read at home daily.
- Homework is completed and returned to school.
- Behaviour is exemplary around school.

Educational Visits

This term the children in year 4 will attend a trip to further help them understand the life of the Romans.

We value our partnership with you in supporting your child's learning and hope the information helps you to support and encourage your child with their learning. We know you take an interest in your child's learning and we thought this was a fantastic way to help you know what we are doing as a class so that you are able to support and encourage your child! We hope that this newsletter will help you plan days out, ideas about learning time you spend with your child and address any questions you have about your child's learning. If you have any questions to ask, no matter how small they may seem to you, please do not hesitate to ask.

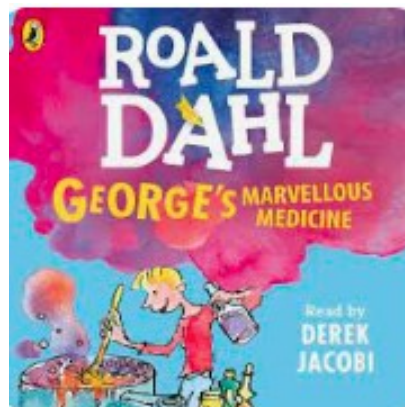
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English



This term's class text is George's Marvellous medicine by the author Roald Dahl. The children will complete a number of pieces of writing based upon this book including a retell, a poem and a set of instructions. During this term, the children will be encouraged to try their best with their handwriting ensuring all of their letters are formed correctly. Inverted commas are an important aspect of writing, children will be taught how to use these correctly to further improve their writing. They will also begin to use apostrophes for possession in their writing to show when an object belongs to a person.

Accurate spellings are an important aspect of writing, the children will be sent home with spellings to complete on a Friday to be returned to school the following Thursday. It is important for your child's learning that they spend 5 minutes every day after school practising these spellings. Some of the spelling patterns we will cover this term include, adding suffixes to words of more than one syllable, adding the prefixes il, im, ir, sub, inter, anti and auto.



History



During this term, the year 4 pupils will learn all about the Romans. They will consolidate their knowledge on BC and AD and apply this by understanding where Roman civilisation fits onto a timeline. The children will learn about where the Romans originated from and why they invaded England. Interestingly, the children will discover what it was like to be a soldier in the Roman army. It is important for the children to realise how we know about past events including which sources we are able to trust. Finally, the children will learn what impacts the Romans have had on our lives today.

Geography



The Geography topic this term is called what is the UK? Throughout this topic the children will get to share any existing knowledge they already have about the UK before finding out more interesting information. The children will learn about the countries that make up the United Kingdom and the seas and oceans that surround the UK. They will learn more about different place names within the UK and the varied accents people may have. The connections that the United Kingdom has with the rest of the world will also be explored.

P.E.

P.E. will be on the following day: Tuesday

Please make sure that your child has their P.E. kit in school

P.E. kit consists of a plain white or red t-shirt. Black shorts or tracksuit bottoms. Children can wear a jacket or jumper when the weather is cooler.

We will be learning about how to keep possession of a ball, how to dribble and how to play as a team.



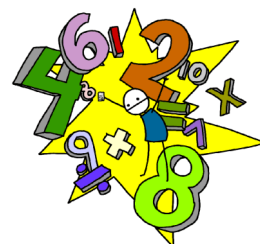
Music



Music will take place on a Thursday with Mr Hall our music teacher. During music lessons, the children will learn how to play different chords on the ukulele. When they have mastered these chords they will use them to play a piece of music within a small group. Mr Hall will also work with the children to help improve their pitch and musicality when singing. Towards the end of the term the children will be taught how to sing a few Christmas songs.

Maths

At the beginning of year 4 children will be consolidating their knowledge on place value by being able to partition 3-digit numbers. In year 4, children begin to use larger numbers and are introduced to thousands. The children will then apply this knowledge to find 1,000 more or less than a given number.



Complete the number sentences.



The number is

is 1,000 more than the number.

is 1,000 less than the number.

The children will also learn how to add and subtract 4-digit numbers. This then progresses when there is need for exchange as shown below.

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+	4	5	7	1	
	8	2	0	6	
	1	1			

$$4,065 - 2,128 =$$

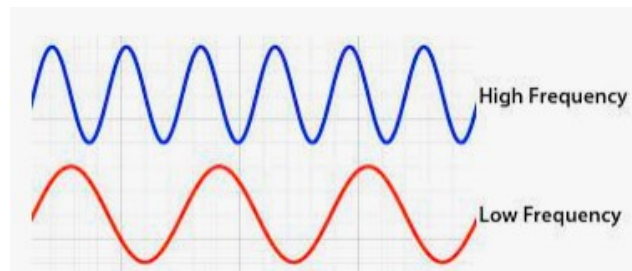
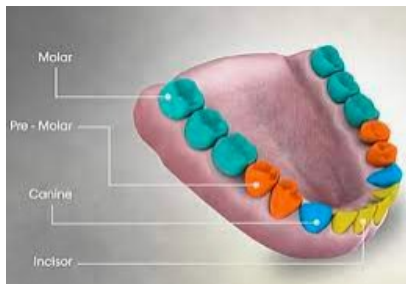
	3	1	5	1	
	4	0	6	5	
-	2	1	2	8	
	1	9	3	7	

Science



During this term the children will study two topics in science these are, animals including humans and sound. Within animals including humans the children will learn all about food chains and how to apply the specific vocabulary of predator and prey. They will then continue to learn about human digestion, the names of the organs involved in this process and their functions. The children will also learn about the different types of teeth humans have and the importance of looking after them.

In the second topic the children will investigate how we are able to hear sounds and how different pitches can be made when using musical instruments. The children will then have a further chance to investigate how sound changes depending on how close or far they are from the source using data loggers.



Computing



In a rapidly developing world of technology it is important that children learn a range of computing skills. The key skills that the children will learn include recognising that networked devices make up the internet, understanding how websites can be shared on the internet and being able to identify whether information on the internet is reliable or not. How to stay safe on the internet is an important topic that will continue to be taught throughout the unit.

Art



During this term, the children will learn about illustrators and how many stories can be told through pictures. Children will be able to express their own art skills by picking lines of a poem to illustrate.

In the following half-term, the children will look at exploring patterns. They will create their own repeated tessellated design. The children will have their creativity to design their own shape and choose the colours to use.

DT



This term, children will learn how to create a musical instrument following their own design.

Children will follow the steps of research, design, make and evaluate. Children will use a range of tools and equipment to make their musical instrument and present it in a interesting way.

French



In this topic, the children will learn how to introduce themselves say their name and ask other people their name and age. The children will be able to ask someone where they live and explain that they live in England.

In the following topic, the children will be able to explain who they live with at home.