

Summer Term Two Year 4



English

This term in English, our focus text is ***Arthur and the Golden Rope***.

Through this exciting story, children will explore both informative and descriptive writing. They will study the characters, setting and themes before writing their own **newspaper report** about the theft of artefacts from the Brownstone family vault. They will also develop their **creative writing skills** by producing a narrative story, including dialogue, inspired by Arthur's adventures.

We are reading...



Homework

Reading: Daily with 3 paragraphs per week. Reading books checked **daily**.

Online: TT Rockstars: 20 soundchecks.
Spelling Shed: 20 games.
Spelling test on a Wednesday.
Online homework checked on a Wednesday.

Written: Maths and English homework sent home on a Thursday and due in the following Tuesday.

History

Vikings up to 1066: The Succession Crisis
This term in History, we are studying the Vikings, building on our learning about the Anglo-Saxons. We will explore why the Vikings raided Britain, learn about Norse gods, examine Alfred's treaty, and compare Viking and Anglo-Saxon beliefs before finishing with the Battle of Hastings. Our **Big Question**, linked to **Catholic Social Teaching (Dignity of Work)**, is: *Can invasion ever be justified?*

Maths

Time – Pupils will practise reading, writing and converting time between analogue and digital clocks, including both 12-hour and 24-hour formats. Children will also develop their problem-solving skills by converting between different units of time, such as hours and minutes, minutes and seconds, as well as years, months and days.

Division with Remainders – Pupils will be learning about division with remainders. They will explore how to solve division problems, understand what a remainder is, and explain when remainders occur. Children will also learn how to interpret their answers and use them to solve real-life problems.

R.E

4K: Sharing in the Life of Christ - In this unit the children learn about the Universal Church established on the original teaching of the Apostles. They will reflect upon the Eucharist as the Sacrament which celebrates the Church's Unity. They will also be given opportunities to find out about religious customs from around the world.

4L: Special Roles & Responsibilities – In this unit the children will learn about the different tasks and responsibilities given to people in the Church. This will help them to develop their understanding of the Church as the Body of Christ made up of many different people.

Science

In this unit children will look at the digestive system and food chains. Understanding what happens to food in humans and the transfer of energy through food chains.

National Curriculum:

- describe the simple functions of the basic parts of the digestive system in humans
- identify the different types of teeth in humans and their simple functions
- construct and interpret a variety of food chains, identifying producers, predators and prey.

DT

This term, the children will investigate a range of kite designs and discover how kites fly. They will design and create their own kite, then test how well it works by exploring how changing different features can affect its performance.



Music

This term we will be reflecting, rewinding and replaying music we have covered over the year and previous years, building on our understanding of different musical styles.

French

We will be focusing on the topic **At the Restaurant.**

RHE

Ten Ten:

Life Cycles

- A time for everything
- Life cycles

Keeping Safe

- Drugs, Alcohol and Tobacco

British Values: All values

CST: Rights and Responsibilities

Gospel Virtues: Attentive and Discerning

Computing

Programming B – Repetition in Games

We will be using loops and repetition to create shapes before being able to animate the children's names, modify games and then finally design and create a simple game all using the scratch programme. We will also be working on our touch typing skills.

PE

This term our PE days are: **Tuesdays and Wednesdays.**

We will continue with swimming on Wednesdays as the children gain confidence and experience in the water.

Our other PE focus is athletics. Pupils will develop basic running, jumping and throwing skills, taking part in challenges for distance and time. They will explore different techniques and learn to improve their speed, distance and accuracy while working towards their personal best.