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Loving, Learning and Flourishing in Community

Year 4 Curriculum Overview

Terms 3 and 4

Over the next two terms we will be covering the following areas in our curriculum:

English:

Our writing focuses for Terms 3 and 4 are:

- We will be exploring *The Firework Makers Daughter* by Phillip Pullman and use similes, metaphors and personification in descriptive writing.
- Non - Fiction Texts - In Term 4 we will use Roman reference books to research information and to help us write our own non-fiction book about the Romans.

This term will also include:

- individual, shared & guided reading using a range of texts - fiction & non-fiction
- explanation writing for use in cross curricular work
- descriptive writing - describing characters and settings
- on-going spelling and grammar work
- speaking and listening skills

Science:

Our topic this term is The Digestive System

- The Digestive System - We will investigate how the bodies of humans and animals digest food. This will include teeth and we will talk about how we can look after them.

Maths:

Term 3:

- Multiplication and division, which will include: 11 and 12 x table, multiplying 3 numbers, factor pairs, written methods and correspondence problems
- Area of 2D shapes
- Fractions, which will include: Unit and non-unit fractions, understanding what a fraction is, tenths, counting in tenths

Term 4:

- Fractions, which will include: equivalent fractions, fractions greater than 1, counting in fractions, adding and subtracting fractions, subtracting fractions from whole amounts, finding fractions of a set of objects and calculating fractions of a quantity.
- Decimals, which will include: recognising tenths and hundredths, understanding tenths as decimals, being able to place tenths on a place value grid and number line, dividing 1-digit and 2-digit numbers by 10, understanding hundredths, hundredths as decimals, being able to place hundredths on a place value grid and dividing 1-digit and 2-digit numbers by 100.

Music:

This children's music curriculum will centre around our performance of 'Adventures in Neverland' for Term 3.

Across Terms 3 and 4, the children will also be exploring:

- Rap music and composition
- Gospel music, with a focus on the song 'Lean on Me'

PSHE:

- Values of the month - January: Justice, February: Love and March: Mercy
- Emotions: Exploring how to recognise different emotions and learning how to regulate our emotions.
- Relationships

French:

- Developing vocabulary and sentences about life in school and home.

Art and DT:

Firework art, linked to our key text 'The Firework Makers Daughter'.

In Term 4, Art and DT will link into our Romans topic. We will design and make our own Roman mosaics.

We will also be looking at preparing healthy snacks and nutritious food as part of DT which will link to both Roman food and digestion in Science.

History:

Our History topic for Term 4 is The Romans.

We will:

- Locate Rome on a map and find out about invaders and settlers - looking at the Roman Empire and why the Romans came to Britain.
- Read and retell the story of Romulus and Remus.
- Compare the Romans and the Celts - making information posters about both.
- Look at Roman towns, buildings and Roman Baths.
- Explore Roman food (links to DT and Science)
- Learn about Roman soldiers, Gladiators and Gods.

This will also include a day visit to Chedworth Roman Villa, more information to follow in due course.

PE:

- Invasion Games: Netball, wall games, throwing and catching, bat and ball games

Computing (ICT):

- Email and Internet safety.

RE:

- Does Jesus have authority for everyone?
- Is the resurrection important to Christians?