

P.E.

Games will take place on Monday afternoons. The children will be playing net and invasion games including tennis and football. The children will also be developing their movement, coordination and balance skills with their class teachers.

The children's PE kits should be brought in on Mondays and be taken home to be washed on Fridays.

Earrings should be removed or covered with tape.



Homework

On Mondays, the children will be given their spelling, grammar and times tables homework. On Fridays, the children will be given an additional piece of homework connected to another curricular area such as music or science. There will often be opportunities in class to share this piece of homework, and the children will be invited to give each other feedback. We would like you to respond to your child's reading at home by writing **at least** one comment in the reading record each week.



Music



We are very fortunate this term to be joined by a music specialist from Enfield Council. The children will be learning to play the flute and developing their musical skills. Please look after these flutes and encourage your child to practice.

R.E. & P.S.H.E

This half term the children will be learning about Jesus' two greatest commandments and what they mean to Christians. They will also be learning about Islam, focusing on the beliefs of Muslims and their religious practices.

In P.S.H.E, lessons we will be discussing what it means to be part of a team. This includes our team within St Pauls, as well as our global community. The children will also be learning essential skills such as how to stay safe online.



Teachers - Miss Wicks
Ms Davies
Teaching Assistants -
Mrs Patros
Mrs Lamb



Year 4 Autumn Newsletter

Welcome to year 4

Dates for your diary:

E.g. class assemblies, trips, visitors, sports events, cooking weeks

English

In the first half term, we will be basing our English learning on the South African short story 'Fly Eagle Fly' by Christopher Gregorowski. We will look at the features of a diary entry and write our own, from the perspective of a character from the book.

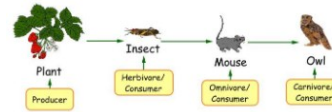
During the second half term, we will be reading the Anglo Saxon Legend 'Beowulf', which links suitably to our History topic. We will write character descriptions.



Science

In Science, the children will initially be learning about living things and their habitats. This will involve looking at the positive and negative impact that humans have on the environment and food chains.

The topic for our second half term is 'Animals including Humans' in which we will learn all about how our digestive system works. We will also learn about the different types of teeth we have and their functions.



Computing

In Computing, initially the children will be will examining devices capable of recording digital audio, which will include identifying the input device (microphone) and output devices (speaker or headphones). In order to record audio themselves, they will use Audacity to produce a podcast.

In the second half term, we will be learning to identify that digital devices have inputs, processes, outputs, and how devices can be connected to make networks.



Maths

Throughout the term the children will be developing their understanding of the following key skills and concepts:

- Number & Place Value
- Addition & Subtraction
- Measurement- Length and Perimeter
- Multiplication & Division

The children will also develop their arithmetic skills on a weekly basis and times tables will be practised and tested weekly in preparation for the national Multiplication Tables Check in the summer term.



Topic

Our first History topic focuses on Britain's Settlement by the Anglo-Saxons and the Scots involving exploring some of the tensions of this period as well as the Saxon's ways of life.

Our initial Geography topic is Climate Zones in which your child will be locating different climate zones and exploring the differences between the Northern and Southern Hemispheres. They will learn about temperate and tropical climates, drawing comparisons.



Art and Design & Technology

During the first half term, the children will be doing Art in which the children will be developing their art and design skills. First, we will be learning about the work of French artist Paul Cézanne. The children will work in his style, mixing colours and using short angular brush strokes.

During the second half term, the children will be doing Design and Technology in which the focus will be on designing and creating their own pavilions.

