

Curriculum News - Year 4 - Summer 1

Please find below details of what your child will be studying this half-term in Year 4.

If you can help your child with any of the topics we will be covering, it will be much appreciated.



Year 4 staff: Mrs Nunn, Miss Guard and Mrs Gatenby

Information: A warm welcome to the summer term! We hope you find this information useful. If you have any questions or issues please come and ask.

P.E is on a Monday and Wednesday this year. Your child has been provided with a P.E kit which is kept at school and washed regularly. Please inform school if you wish to wash the P.E kit yourself.

We will be looking at the United States of America as our topic this term

<p><u>English</u> This half term, we will be reading <i>The Miraculous Journey of Edward Tulane</i>, all about a trip through America and friendship along the way. Children will write a biography of the main character's life, a fairy story and a diary entry. We will be looking more at adverbial phrases and an increasing range of punctuation. Fluent joins and consistent spelling rules will also be taught throughout all our writing.</p>	<p><u>Maths:</u> Maths will start with a refresher of our written calculations before moving onto work on fractions, decimals, shape and measure. Times tables and basic skills will continue to be a main focus this half term, and by the end of the year, all children should know all of their times tables and be able to recall rapidly the multiplication associated division facts for them.</p>	<p><u>ICT and Science</u> ICT this half-term will focus on coding and we will be using Espresso Coding to explore this. Our Science topic this half term is electricity. We will investigate sources of electricity, create simple circuits and find out about the role of a switch in a circuit.</p>
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<p><u>Topic:</u> As part of our work on American History we will be learning about the Native Americans and what life was like on the open plains. We will be creating our own dream catchers, learning about Native American Myths and expressing our views about current affairs. We will be learning about the incredible American Civil Rights movement and Martin Luther King, who used the Bible and it's teachings to inspire the fight for equality for Black people. We will link this to American politics today and the importance of Barack Obama as America's first Black President. We will be learning about the geography of America, including all 50 states and their special landmarks, such as the Grand Canyon. In R.E we will learning about the special journey's that people from different religions go on.</p>	<p><u>PE</u> Monday and Thursday. Multi skills</p>
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Ways you can help at home/ homework:
Please ensure your child uses TT Rockstars and Spellodrome as much as possible and reads regularly.