

Autumn Term Two - Year 4

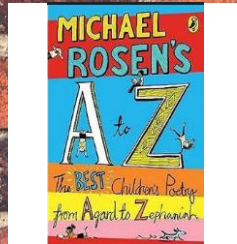


English

Narrative writing & Poetry

We start the term by looking at narrative writing using 'Aladdin and the Enchanted Lamp' by Philip Pullman for inspiration. Later in the term we will be working on poetry. The powerful poem 'The River' by Valerie Bloom will provide our raw materials.

We are reading...



This term we will start with the children reading a selection of poems from Michael Rosen's excellent A to Z. We will end the term looking at the fictional adventure "The Firework Maker's Daughter" by Philip Pullman. Our class reading book will be 'Bill's New Frock' by Anne Fine.

Maths

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We will start by looking at methods to check, estimate and solve addition and subtraction problems with numbers up to 4 -digits. We move on to measuring perimeters and area and then finish the term looking at multiplication and division using 0, 1, 10 and 100 and our 6, 7, 9, 11 and 12 times tables.

Science

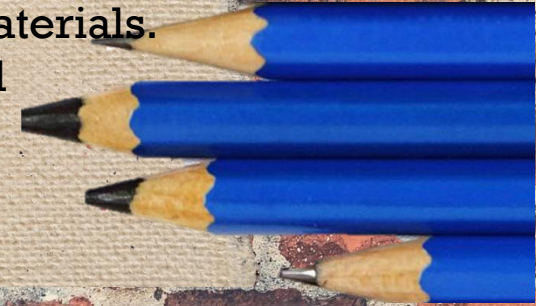
Electricity and Circuits

The children will be investigating how electricity works in a circuit. They will be building simple circuits including bulbs, buzzers, switches and LEDs. We will be learning about electrical safety, conductors and insulators along the way.

D.T.

Light-Up Boxes

The children we will be learning about and building simple lighting circuits using traditional and modern materials. They will then be designing and making their own light-up box.



History

Ancient Egypt

The children will be taken back to ancient Egyptian times learning about the people that made up the society, its architecture, gods, innovations, and, of course, mummies! We will be learning about and using 'historian' skills such as artefact recognition and using different sources information to confirm ideas.

French

En Classe

In our French lessons this term the children will be learning the French names of common classroom objects. They will then learn how to use these to ask and answer questions such as "Have you got a pen?"

Music

The children will be learning about and listening to the works of ABBA this term – learning to sing and performing the song 'Mamma Mia'! Autumn 2, of course, would not be complete without Christmas songs and carols too!

PSHE

Valuing Difference & Being my Best

The children will be thinking carefully about the differences between people and what these mean and how they should be treated. They will then be thinking about themselves and what it is that makes them who they are and how they could be the best version of themselves possible.

Computing

Audio Production

We will be recognising and using devices that can record and edit audio. We will plan, write and record a podcast and then edit and add to it using a variety of different tools. To complete the term we will evaluate our efforts and suggest improvements whilst valuing and recognising what has gone well.

P.E.

Social Skills & Gymnastics

We will be focussing on cooperation, support, patience, praise and encouragement this term. The children will also be improving their skills in jumping, landing, rolling and seated balances.

R.E.

The Significance of the nativity story to Christians today.

This term sees the children considering the meaning of Christmas for Christians. Pupils will consider what can be learned about Christianity and Jesus from the nativity story and they will also consider the symbolism of the season.