

Summer Term 1 - Year 4



English

Narrative Writing

We will be focussing on narrative / story writing all term long! We will start with using last term's class reader, and classic tale 'the Iron Man' by Ted Hughes and finish with the wonderful picture book 'The Whale' by Ethan and Vita Murrow for our writing inspiration.

We are reading...



Our class reader for the term will be the incredibly funny 'You're a bad man Mr Gum' By Andy Stanton. We will also be looking at, and answering questions about, the children's novel 'The girl who stole an elephant' By Nizar Farook and the non-fiction book 'Earth Shattering Events' By Robin Jacobs to increase our explanation, retrieval interpretation, and vocabulary skills.

Maths

In maths This term we will be mostly focussing on the world of fractions. We will be increasing our level of understanding of what fractions actually are and moving from ideas such as $\frac{1}{2}$ of a pizza to $\frac{2}{3}$ of 120! We will be adding and subtracting fractions and looking at what needs to be done with the numerator and denominator in different situations.

Science

Classification & Habitats

Our focus in science will be looking at how and why we group living things (both animals and plants) and how human and natural (including seasonal) events impact upon the habitats of all living things.

Art

Printing

In Art this summer term we will be using the work of African artist Xgaoc'o X'are as our inspiration. We will learn about how printing is used worldwide and practise printing techniques to create mono and multi-coloured prints of our own.



Geography

This term the children will be learning all about the place where many of us live and all of us learn - Daventry! We will find out about the towns roots and it's rapid (and continuing) growth over the last 60 years.

French

This term Year 4 will be going to a tea-room with their French learning! The children will learn how to order a variety of common items to be found in a French (and also other places!) café – pain au chocolat, tea, coffee, cola and cake – delicious! We will finish the unit with a yummy role play.

Music

This term we will be investigating some more of the music of 'The Beatles'. We will be learning to sing the song 'Blackbird'.

RE

This term the children will be finding out more about Sikhism. The children will investigate the question 'What is the best way for a Sikh to live a good life?' We will be reflecting upon and comparing our own experiences with those of the Sikh faith to help answer the question.

RSE

Health & Wellbeing

This term we will be investigating our health and wellbeing by thinking about what makes a balanced lifestyle and what promotes good mental health. We will also be learning about changes, both physical and mental, that occur during puberty.

Computing

Photo-Editing

The children will be taking and editing digital images this term. They will use recolouring, vignette, blurring, cutting, pasting and many other tools and techniques to enhance and adapt images to suit the purpose we want for them.

PE

Swimming & the physical cog

In real PE, we will be looking at good control and 'tension' in our movements – becoming better balanced and more agile. In swimming, the children will be visiting the local pool and benefitting from professional swimming coaching. They will be learning swimming skills appropriate to their current standard.