

Homework for this learning cluster.

Homework will be given out each Friday and is due to be handed in the following Wednesday. Spellings to learn will be brought home each Wednesday, for a test the following Wednesday. Tables' tests will be held each Monday and Maths Challenge Cards will be tested on a Friday. Please ask your child to place mental maths challenge cards to be tested in the basket in the classroom. (They have been shown where that is!)

Class information.

We encourage all children to bring in a water bottle each day. The water bottle must have a pull-up top and the fluid only water please!
Years 5 and 6 are critical years in preparing a child for their move to Secondary School, so please gradually encourage your child to become as independent as they can be with their organisation of their belongings and their learning.

A reminder of the PE kit:

School T-shirt and shorts
Warm top, long trousers and trainers for Aspire games
Socks must replace tights
Hair ties to tie back long hair
Trainers
If trainers are going to be sent into school on days other than PE, Please can you send them in a drawstring bag to be hung on a peg, thank you.



Autumn first half term

2020

Class 4

'Democracy rules!'

Literacy

This half term, our learning will be based on our topic of the Ancient Greeks. We will be writing our own quest myth, linked with our learning on sentence structure and description. This will be followed by a unit of work culminating in a newspaper report. This will incorporate learning about active and passive voice and writing with a formal tone.

Maths

This half term we will focus heavily on the four main operations: addition, subtraction, division and multiplication. We will begin this work by revising our understanding of place value.

Science

In Science we will be learning about forces by identifying the effects of air resistance, water resistance and friction, that act between moving surfaces. This will involve boats and parachutes, exciting!

Computing and E-safety

We will be developing our understanding of the importance of privacy settings and secure passwords across a range of devices, alongside learning how search engines rank search results, including identifying advert pages.

Religious Education

Our key concept this half term will be 'Revelation' in the context of Islam. We will be exploring how to explain what revelation means.

History

We will be learning about The Ancient Greeks this term, which will include learning about their politics, theatre, sport, language and architecture.

Physical Education

PE for Class 4 will be on Mondays and Tuesdays. Aspire Coaching will work with the class on Mondays, while Tuesday's focus this half term will be techniques for distance running. Please remember to arrive at school in your PE kit for Mondays and Tuesdays.

PSE – Personal and Social Education

Our first unit for PSE will be 'relationships' followed by a second unit considering the different kinds of responsibilities, rights and duties we may face at home, school and in the community.

French

This half term we will begin our learning with the names for family members. These will be put into sentences and used in simple conversation. We will also be revising previous learning to ensure any gaps are filled.

DT

For Design Technology, our focus is textiles. We will be linking our topic with DT by making hand puppets of dragons with moving mouths! The children have been shown the basic method of construction and can bring in any materials if they have a preference from home, but we cannot accept any fluffy or furry textiles, sorry!

Music

This half term we will be listening and responding to the work of American DJ and composer Mason Bates, focussing on his orchestral symphony Anthology of Fantastic Zoology. Each of its eleven distinctive movements conjures up a different mythical creature from Jorge Luis Borges' Book of Imaginary Beings, including the mischievous Sprite and the tower-dwelling beast, A Bao A Qu, which links again to our topic.