

What your child will be studying this term – Year 4

In Pastures Green

English

We will be using high quality texts for English. We will plan and produce extended pieces of writing. We will use a wide range of conjunctions to join clauses and create multi-clause sentences. We will use prepositions (such as before, after, during etc.) and use time adverbials (when), place adverbials (where) and adverbials of manner (how.)

We will begin to use a comma after a fronted adverbial (In the corner of the room, the girl sat miserably.) and use inverted commas for dialogue. We will apply the Y4 spelling rules to our writing. In reading, we will offer predictions and identify key aspects of the text. We will use dictionaries to check unfamiliar words.

Maths

These are some of the objectives we will be covering:-

- Read, write, order and compare numbers to 1 000.
- Count up/down in tenths.
- Use the formal written method for addition and subtraction and solve problems.
- Classify different triangles.
- Know the 2x, 3x, 4x, 5x, 8x and 10x tables and associated division facts.
- Use short multiplication to multiply a teen number by a single digit.
- Use the bus stop for division.
- Tell the time to the nearest minute.
- Convert units of length.

Science – States of Matter

We will compare and group materials according to whether they are solids, liquids and gases. We will investigate how some materials change state when they are heated or cooled. We will learn about evaporation and the water cycle and how temperature affects the rate of evaporation.

Computing – Using technology safely/The Internet

We will continue to develop how to stay safe online and know the KIDSMART rules. We will also learn about the basic structure of the internet and how information from the internet needs to be checked and evaluated.

History – The Anglo-Saxons

We will learn about the Roman withdrawal from Britain and the reasons why the Anglo-Saxons invaded and where they settled. We will identify Anglo-Saxon settlements on a map and learn about village life. We will also learn about the Christian conversion.

Geography – The Cities and the Counties of the United Kingdom.

We will locate the main cities in the UK and identify some of the major landmarks of the main cities. We will identify reasons why people settle in cities. We will also identify some of the main counties and label them on a map and know which counties some of the main cities are located in.

Art – Lowry

We will experiment with ways in which surface detail can be added to drawings and begin to show an awareness of 3D. We will apply our knowledge of colour mixing, texture and patterns to recreate a Lowry painting.

D.T – Make a pop-up book about the Anglo-Saxons

We will investigate and evaluate packages with lever and linkages systems. We will learn about different ways of joining and combining components and know how simple mechanisms produce different types of movement.

R.E – We will follow the Southwark agreed syllabus and we will be learning about Christianity and Sikhism.

Ways in which you can help your child

- Hear your child read/ Discuss what they have read every night.
- Practise spellings sent home.
- Practise the maths objectives listed.
- Make chocolate crispy cakes and look at how liquid changes to a solid.
- Read/research the Anglo-Saxons - look at a map and identify Anglo-Saxon settlements using the place names.
- Match main cities to their counties.
- Look at pop-up books and how they have been put together.

