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English



Writing - Our English units will link with our Brazil topic.

We will be:

- Reading and writing our own persuasive texts to encourage people to visit Brazil
- Writing about life in a Brazilian favela
- Writing newspaper articles about visiting a carnival.

Reading - During Guided Reading the children will focus on:

- Developing different reading strategies;
- Improving their comprehension skills using Reciprocal Reading to deepen understanding.

They will be taught to:

- Provide evidence from the text;
- Make sensible predictions;
- Clarify meanings;
- Summarise texts.

Speak Up! - We are continuing to promote Standard English in both speaking and writing.

Year 4 Curriculum Newsletter - Autumn Term 2018/19

Mr. Dickey (YGL) - 4D

Ms. Musa - 4M

Ms. Iqbaal - 4I

Ms. Begum - 4B



We continue to thank parents for their partnership with our school and their involvement in their child's learning. Please do not hesitate to speak to your child's teacher if you have any questions or concerns.

Computing



Computing will be included within all subjects, but we will have a specific focus on 'Scratch' which is a Newham scheme that allows children to explore programming. Throughout the term we will also be discussing online safety.

Maths

In maths we have adopted a new scheme called Maths No Problem (MNP). It focuses on teaching maths for mastery and is designed to improve the maths confidence of all pupils.

Year 4 will also be comparing and ordering numbers up to 10,000 and learning strategies for addition, subtraction, multiplication and division. Please ensure your child also learns their times tables as it is expected that by the end of Year 4 most children should know their times tables up to 12 x 12.



Science

We are learning about Sound. We will explore:

- How sounds are made and how they travel;
- How sounds can be changed.

Our second topic will be 'States of Matter', covering:

- Grouping materials together according to their states, (solids, liquids or gas);
- Exploring how materials can change state when they are heated or cooled;
- The water cycle.



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R.E/PSHE



R.E. - We will be looking at The Bible and why it is important to Christians.

PSHE - Our topic will be 'Getting on and Falling Out' where the children will use role play to encourage positive relationships. We will also be undertaking anti-bullying week.



Please remember to make sure your child has their PE kit on a Monday they will take it home to wash on a Friday.

Art/DT/Music



Music - Ukulele lessons will be provided on a weekly basis during our ECaM sessions.

Art & DT - **Art** - We will make tunnel theatres as part of our rainforest topic.

Home Learning

Homework is a continuation of school work at home and is a great opportunity for your child to practice the skills they have learnt.

Reading - For the children to progress in their reading, they need to read aloud daily. Please write a short comment in their reading log to communicate to us how they are reading at home.

Spellings - Weekly spellings should be practiced at home daily using the Look, Cover, Write Check strategy.

English - Please check your child's homework book. Homework will relate to the unit of work for that week. We expect a high standard of writing, the same as we would expect in a lesson.

Maths - Activities are given based on the unit of work taught that week. Children also need to learn their times tables off by heart at home up to 12x12.

Speak Up! - A poem will be given to be learned at the beginning of each half term. These will be performed in an assembly.



Geography



Geography Our topic will be about the Rainforest and Brazil. Children will improve their map reading skills by learning how to find grid references and also learn about the lives of Brazilians. They will learn all about the physical geography of the Amazon and the environmental issues that this area is currently facing.

Educational Visits



This term Year 4 will be given the amazing opportunity to take part in a music project. The theme of this project will be Black History. As part of this we will have the highly skilled Big Music Company visit us in school. Trained musicians will work with the children and teach us performance skills. We will also be going to the Aquatic Centre in Stratford from the 10th-21st September.