Year 4 Curriculum Newsletter - Summer Term 1 2024 Mrs Cook, Mrs Lalli, Mr Richardson



A word from us...

Welcome back to Year 4 and their families. We hope you had a wonderful Easter break.

This term:

*Games will be on a Monday afternoon and PE on a Friday afternoon.

*Children should bring in a healthy snack for morning playtime as well as a filled water bottle everyday please. Children will have access to refills throughout the day, as needed. Please do not send children into class with fizzy drinks.

*Please practise times tables with your child regularly as well as reading each night. Once your child has completed their book, please sign to confirm it has been read and record any comments. Please ensure your child's book and diary are in school every day.

*Don't forget to log in to your Timetable Rockstars. Year 4 will complete a Multiplication Check **this term** so it is really important that they are confident with multiplications up to 12 x 12. We will be doing lots of practise in school too!

If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to talk to us on the door or book an appointment if needed.

We look forward to a happy, successful Summer term ahead!

English

Our work this term will be based around the following books: 'Charlotte's Web'', by E B white and Varjak Paw by SF Said We will be using visual Literacy to enhance these skills further- 'Marshmallows' and 'Ride of Passage'. Through these units, children will practise a range of writing skills and will be developing their grammar, spelling and punctuation skills. They will also be writing for a range of purposes: structuring and organising their writing; drafting and editing as they write. Children will enjoy taking part in a range of speaking and listening activities such a role play and discussion.

Spellings will follow the KS2 spelling National Curriculum guidelines.

<u>Art</u>

Children will look in detail at the richly coloured Byzantine patterns and create their own similar patterns using watercolour and gold paint. wife Theodora. They will then create their own mosaic portraits using paper, focussing on how to show differing skin tones. Finally, they will look at icons, first painted during the Byzantine period and still painted today, learning how these are used for prayer and reflection.

Music - The Beatles.

<u>Modern Foreign Languages</u> - French <u>Computing</u> – Purple Mash – Effective searching

Humanities

In History, the children will study The Stuarts. The children will develop a chronologically secure understanding of this significant period of British history by diving deeper into the changing role of the monarchy during the 17th century.

Our topic in Geography is London and the South East. Children will build knowledge of the counties and cities of the UK, their geographical regions, human and physical characteristics and topographical features.

Maths

Our units of work this half term include: decimals, money and time.

A reminder that Year 4 children are required to take a timed Multiplication Check during the Summer term - please keep practising these skills on TTRockstars and we will do a lot of practise in school too!

Science /

We will continue with our sound topic this half term. Pupils will work scientifically by investigating the different sounds made by vibrations using a range of objects including musical instruments. They will ask and answer questions and explain what they find out using scientific writing and diagrams.

Religious Education - Gospel
PE / Games - Games on a Monday and PE on a Friday
PSHE / British Values - Relationships