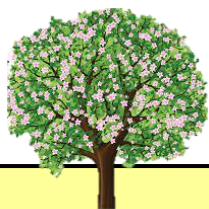


Spring 2: Learning in Year 4



English

This half term we will start by focusing on Explanatory Texts. We will focus in how the non fiction text explains a process and use the technical vocabulary to accommodate it.

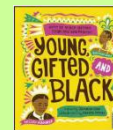
Our reading session will focus on the non fiction book: Young, Gifted and Black by Jamia Wilson. The book focuses on 52 icons of colour from the past and present in this collection of stories about change-makers to encourage, inspire and empower children, young and old. We will be introduced to figureheads, leaders and pioneers such as Martin Luther King Jr., Nelson Mandela and Rosa Parks, as well as cultural trailblazers and athletes like Stevie Wonder, Oprah Winfrey and Serena Williams.

Supporting your child with their learning

- Read at least three times a week- please sign your journal.
- Practise your times tables on TT Rockstars- log ins are in the front of the journals.
- Practise weekly spellings

What we are reading this half term:

Young, Gifted and Talented
by Jamia Wilson



Science

In Science, we will be looking at animals, including humans. They will focus on the parts of the mouth and teeth. This will aid their learning to explain the process of digestion. They will also be able to explain what animals eat from their teeth.

Computing

Year 4 will start their Computer science by looking at commands and functions in "Everyone Can Code. They will have to look carefully at the problems and talk about what they will need to do. This will help them debug their solutions.

History and Geography

In Spring 2, we will carry on with our History topic of Vikings and Anglo Saxon struggle for England. We will discover the process of the water cycle in our geography lessons.

Maths

In Maths we will start with looking at length and perimeters of different shapes. We will then deepen our knowledge of fractions with improper fractions. We will then be able to convert improper fraction with a mixed number and vice versa.

Educational / Enrichment Visits

Swimming every Tuesday

Holy Week Performances

PSHE

Our unit this half term is: Keeping safe and managing risks: Playing Safe

- How to be safe in their computer gaming habits
- How to keep safe near roads, rail, water, building sites and around fireworks
- What to do in an emergency and basic emergency first aid procedures

We will also focus on No Outsiders: Everyone different, everyone welcome- To find a common ground.

Art and DT

In Art, we will be printmaking using textiles. We will focus on the tie dye technique and create repeating geometric patterns using printing techniques. We will then combine these techniques to create a mixed media piece of artwork.

P.E

We will continue our P.E. lessons on Monday afternoons, we will be outdoors. Year 4 will start their Outdoor Adventurous Activities- Trust and Trails.

Music

We will be exploring the piece "Fanfare for the common man" by Aaron Copland. It provides the foundation for investigating how unique music is in creating dramatic effect and atmosphere, and is an excellent starting point for exploring the use of pitch, melody, texture, and timbre.

French

Year 4 will begin learning the French words for items they find in daily life.

R.E

In R.E. we will follow Jesus through his journey from Desert to Garden. We will find out about God's mercy and forgiveness, the judgement of Nations and the works of mercy. We will revisit Jesus' journey to Jerusalem and his Last Supper. We will end the half term learning about the Passion and Death of Jesus.

The gospel value of the half term is: Forgiveness.