



St. Werburgh's C. E. Primary School

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10th June 2023

Dear Parents and Carers,

Re: Year 4 Curriculum Update - Summer Term (2nd Half)

Below is a brief outline of the curriculum areas we will be focusing on in Year Four during the last half of the summer term.

Please note that this is a summary and may change over the course of the term. It does, however, offer insight to enable you to further support your child's learning outside school.

Curriculum Area	Focus
English Reading	During this half term our work will focus on the text; ' A Myth Hunter's Travel Guide ' by Tom Button We will be looking at Retrieving and recording information from a non-fiction text. We will also be looking at asking questions to improve our understanding of the text.
English Writing	During this half term our work will focus on the texts; ' Blue John ' by Berlie Doherty . We will be predicting from details stated and implied in the text, taking part in Role Play activities and assessing the effectiveness of our own writing. We will also be planning our writing and proof reading for spelling and punctuation.
Maths	During this half term we will focus on: Properties of Shape Money Fractions Multiplication and Division Volume and capacity Decimals Position and Direction Statistics

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Spellings	During this half term we will be focusing on Word Lists for Years 3, 4 The 'l' sound spelt 'ey' The 'ai' sound spelt 'y' at the end of words The possessive apostrophe Homophones and near homophones
Geography	During this half term our focus will be 'Earthquakes and Volcanoes'. Themes will include; understanding the causes, outcomes and location of earthquakes, understanding the distribution of earthquakes and volcanoes, knowing where the world's most active earthquake and volcanic zones are, discovering why people live in the vicinity of volcanoes, and what measures can be taken to make life safer in earthquake zones and creating a Big Finish by making a working model of a volcano.
DT	During this half term our topic is 'Moving Monsters'. Some of the themes will be; To be able to explain how air pressure can be used to control movement, to work safely and accurately with a range of hand tools, to think about design and mechanism and to evaluate process an end product.
PSHE	We will explore topics on the theme of: 'Thinking Positively' Themes include; Happy Minds, Happy People, Thoughts and Feelings, Keep Calm and Relaxed, You're The Boss! And Always Learning.
PE	This term`s focus will be Athletics on a Monday and Strike and Fielding sessions will be led by ASM on Tuesdays.

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Religious Education	This half term we will focus on the theme; Considering the creation story and recalling what happened to Adam and Eve. We will look at recognising the importance of looking after God's world, recognising that Christians believe they are 'Stewards' for God, identifying how the Creation story can help guide Christians and reflecting on the story of Genesis, deciding 'What Christians learn from the Creation story?'
Music	This term the children will be Listening and Responding to Music by ; thinking about how music can reflect a mood, atmosphere or tell a story. They will be using percussion instruments to create and change the mood of the music and creating sounds that match a particular mood or noise. They will think about how sounds can be layered to create a scene.
Spanish	This term the children will be listening to the story "Ricitos de Oro y Los Tres Osos" and ordering key events. They will plan and begin to create a storyboard in Spanish for the story and learn new vocabulary.

Our P.E. days this term are **Monday** and **Tuesday**. It is important your child has their P.E kit on these days.

The children have worked so hard practising their times tables in preparation for the test, thank you for all the support you have shown, it has really made a difference. We will keep practising even after the tests are complete as it is so important for the children to be fluent with their timetables. This will greatly improve their maths skills.

We acknowledge that learning takes place both at home and at school; it is therefore important we share all your child's achievements out of school. Please let me know of any clubs or sport activities that your child takes part in, so that we can celebrate with them at school.

It is a pleasure to teach your children, they are working so hard and I hope that they will thoroughly enjoy their learning this term.

Kind regards,
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