

English

Our English lessons will continue with the Talk 4 Writing structure this year. Our first text type will be a 'wishing tale'. The class will have the chance to explore what they would wish for if they could! They will plan their writing by discussing features of structure, vocabulary and grammar. We will also draft and write work focussing on oral rehearsal and text organisation. We will then move on to some non-fiction work—covering journalistic writing such as newspaper articles—keeping to the same theme of wishing.

Reading

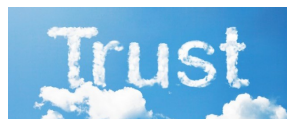
This half term we will be reading *The Demon Dentist* by David Walliams. We will also be partaking in guided reading sessions and using our inference and deduction skills to answer questions relating to texts and pictures.

Grammar, Punctuation and Spelling

Across Lower Key Stage 2, we will work on spellings in class—this might be different to what your child is used to. Spelling lists for the term will be available the class teacher, but there won't be a weekly test where spellings are sent home.



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Our Value

Our values curriculum is very important to us in school. During this half term our value focus will be 'Trust'.

Maths

We will begin the year by building up a sound understanding of the basics of number and place value before moving on to some addition and subtraction calculation work. Some of our objectives will be find 10, 100 and 1000 more or less than a given number, recognise the place value of each digit in a 3 or 4-digit number (1000s, 100s, 10s, 1s), compare and order numbers up to 1,000 and beyond, identify, represent and estimate numbers using different representations and to complete number problems focusing on these.

R.E.

Through the diocesan education programme—Come and See, we will explore many different topics during our RE session. The first half term will see us looking at the topic of People with a particular focus on the family of Jesus.

Geography

Throughout the year we will alternate between History and Geography topics. Our first Geography topic is a UK study where we will look at both the physical and human geography. We will pay close attention to our coastlines, as we are lucky to be so near to many beautiful beaches.

Art/DT

During this term we will be considering 'Lines and Marks'. Through using a variety of tools and techniques, we will make a range of effective art pieces. We will compare the impacts of pencils, chalks, charcoals and paints and evaluate their effectiveness. There will also be lots of creative opportunities across the curriculum.

Music

We will be using 'Charanga' to practice singing and to use their voices with control and expression.

Homework

In Year 3/4 each Monday there will be a 'Homework Menu'. This will consist of a number of choices that your child can complete. The homework is due back the following Monday. Hopefully this is a way to make homework exciting and engaging.

PE

We will be studying basketball for outdoor PE. We will learn ball skills, the rules of the game and apply these within a game. For indoor PE, we will study gymnastics. We will focus on balancing skills and the creation of shapes individually and within groups.



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Educational Visits

Please look out for ParentMails / letters about any trips or visits.

SEAL

SEAL stands for social and emotional aspects of learning—these sessions will first focus on the theme of Health and Wellbeing.

Computing

Over the year, the class will have lots of opportunities to explore a variety of computer programs, websites and apps to play, build, record, produce and create. This term the class will use 'Scratch' to create Maze games. They will design a character and a setting and use coding to create instructions for the character. This topic will test our problem solving skills as we try to de-bug any errors.

French

In French we will start with the topic 'Je me presente'. We will gain a basic grasp across a range of French topics and be able to say short French sentences about ourselves and the things around us.

Science

Across the year we will look at Biology, Chemistry and Physics topics as well a looking at the science all around us—with lots of opportunities to experiment. Our first science topic will be Animals Including Humans. In this topic the class will look at the foods animals eat and what nutrition they get from this. We will look at which animals have skeletons and compare them to those without.