

AUTUMN

YEAR 4

English Reading

In Reading, we will be reading different stories from 'A world full of animal stories'. The children will initially focus on retrieval questions from the stories but also draw inferences by looking at characters' feelings, thoughts and motives from their actions, the children will then justify their thoughts with evidence from the text.



This Term's Book

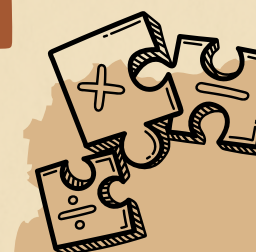
English Writing

In English, we will begin with a short unit of poetry based on family poems inspired by Michael Rosen. We will be using our reading book as inspiration for our writing where we will be learning to write an information text about an animal and then a narrative in the style of a folk tale.



Maths

In Maths, we will begin with place value. The children will be able to identify the value of digits in a number and be able to compare and order different numbers up to 10,000. We will then be focusing on our four operations; beginning with addition and subtraction of numbers up to 10,000 and then moving on to multiplication and division. Year 4 has a big focus on multiplication, the children will be able to recall multiplication facts to 12x12 with increasing fluency and ease.



Science



The children will be completing a unit on Animals Including Humans: this unit focuses on healthy teeth. Once we have learned about the types of teeth, we move on to the digestive system. Following that, we will be learning about food chains and using the correct scientific language to describe prey and predators.

This Term's work is linked to the Scientist Andreas Vesalius



RE

This year we will be focusing on the key question of 'How should we live our lives?' We will focus on Christianity in RE throughout the Autumn term. Firstly, looking at how and why Christians may use the bible. Then, moving on to why sacrifice is important for religious life.



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Physical Education

In PE we will focus on the skills required to play netball, these include passing, pivoting, shooting and intercepting. We will also continue with swimming lessons, learning how to stay safe and become more confident in the water.



History

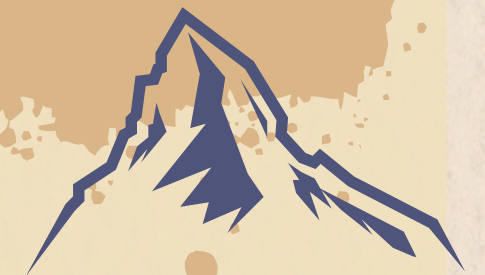
The children will be learning about the Romans. We will be thinking about how Britain became part of the Roman Empire; the legacy that the Romans left behind in Britain; and what is special about Chester.



Geography

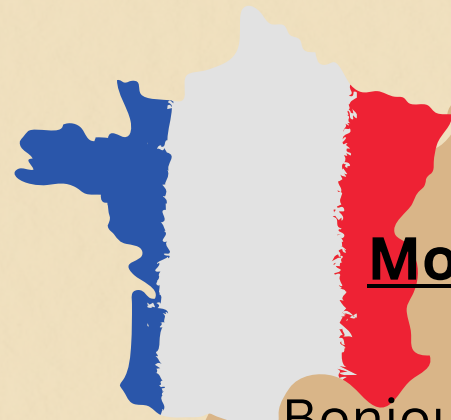
In geography, we will be answering the focus question: Why do people live near volcanoes?

During this unit, we will look at how Earth is constructed, how mountains are formed, and the effects of volcanic eruptions and earthquakes.



Modern Foreign Languages

Bonjour! We will continue our French journey by completing a revision topic on how to describe ourselves and others. We will learn more about how to describe personalities in addition to appearance.



RSE

In My Healthy Self, the children are learning how to look after themselves, for example balanced diets and mental health awareness. They will adopt a growth mindset attitude by learning that mistakes can help us to learn. In the second half term, the children will begin their unit on connecting with others.



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Music

Music will be taught by Paul this year.

The children will be given a brass instrument and taught how to play the instrument and read notation. These will be taken home each Tuesday so they can practice and brought back in the following Tuesday.



Art and Design

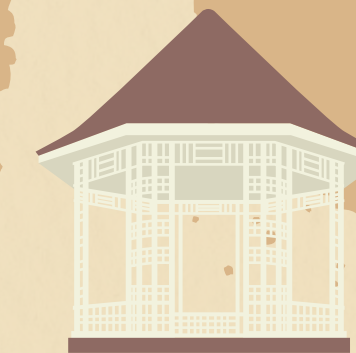
We will be focussing on drawing in art next half term.

Throughout the unit, we will explore texture, tone and proportion.

Design Technology

The children will be completing their structures unit in DT this half term.

They will learn about pavilions, then design and create their own 3D pavilion model.



Computing

In the first half term, the children will be learning how to keep themselves safe online. In the second half term, we will look at computer systems and networks. In Year 4, we will focus on collaborative learning within the technological world and why this is important.

