

Bradfield CE Primary School

Autumn One in Year 4

English

This term the children will be learning to write recounts. This will include writing letter and diary entries. These pieces of writing will focus on the use of fronted adverbials of time as well as writing consistently in the past tense. In addition, we will be reading and writing stories with issues and dilemmas. In this unit, we will be focusing on character description and how our characters react to a problem that occurs.

We will be learning the Year 3/4 National Curriculum spelling words as well as new spelling rules

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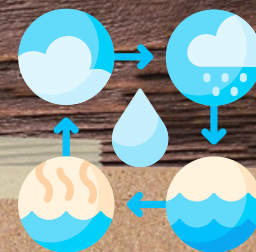


In reading lessons this term, we will be focusing on our reading skills of vocabulary, inference, prediction, explanation, retrieval and summarising. (VIPERS). We will be using these skills to unpick whole class texts including Queen of Darkness by Tony Bradman. This text links to our work on the Romans in our history lessons.

Maths

We will be learning about the number system and how place value works up to 10,000. In addition, we will look at formal written methods for addition, subtraction, multiplication and division. We will then think about area and perimeter and use our knowledge of multiplication to support that work. Overarching to this curriculum is a strong knowledge of times tables. It is imperative that all children in Year 4 have quick recall of times tables up to 12x12.

Science



In Science this term, the children will be investigating states of matter. This includes the difference between solids, liquids and gasses in the way that they behave as well as their make up. In addition, the class will be learning about the water cycle.

Art

Using mechanical engravings as a starting point, pupils develop an awareness of proportion, composition and pattern in drawing and combine media for effect when developing a drawing into a print.



History

Our topic is Roman Britain. The children will be learning about life in Roman Britain and how this fits into the chronology of British history. They will learn how the Roman Empire grew and its impact on the tribes living in Britain at the time. We will be visiting the Roman Baths in Bath to enrich our topic.



French

We will be learning adjectives for describing people's physical appearance and their personality. Creating simple sentences ensuring that the adjectives agree with the gender of the noun.

RE

We will learn about practises and ways of life of Hindus during Diwali. We will learn the story from which the festival originates.

Music

We will be learning to listen to changes in pitch, tempo and dynamics and relate it to something tangible and familiar. Linking to their geography learning, the pupils represent different stages of the river through vocal and percussive ostinatos, culminating in a final group performance.

Geography

Our topic is Rivers. The children will learn about physical and human features of rivers and the physical process of erosion and how it impacts the river. We are hoping to take a field trip to the River Pang to investigate how the river changes as it flows through Bradfield and study the erosion of some of the banks.



PE

In PE this term, we will be focusing on the skills associated with Tag Rugby. In addition, we will be learning gymnastics in our indoor PE slot.

Our PE days are: Thursday & Friday.



PSCHE

We are learning that families are varied and differences must be respected; understanding physical and emotional boundaries in friendships; exploring: the roles of bully, victim and bystander; how behaviour affects others; manners in different situations and learning about bereavement.

Computing

This term, Year 4 will be working collaboratively in a responsible and considerate way as well as looking at a range of collaborative tools during our computing lessons. Following this, they will be learning the basics of programming in Scratch, children will create a simple script, use decomposition and understand what variables are.