



Year 4 Curriculum Newsletter

In **Reading**, we will continue to practise reading out loud as we develop our reading fluency. We will read individually and in groups as we explore more challenging texts. To develop our comprehension of what we read, we will explore a range of fiction, non-fiction and poetry texts. We will read some of these texts ourselves and some will be read to us.

You can help your child by reading at home 3 times a week and signing their Reading Record.



Spring

In **Writing**, we will learn how to write extended pieces of narrative (stories) and non-narrative (information), using shared texts as a stimulus for our creativity. We will be practising and developing our handwriting to improve our writing stamina and continue to apply what we have learned in our spelling lessons.

You can help your child at home by talking about a range of texts and how they are written.



In **Maths**, we will be exploring multiplication and division, perimeter, fractions and decimals.

You can help your child by encouraging and supporting them to complete the homework that is sent home.



In **Science**, we will explore the human body by thinking about the different kinds of teeth we have and the organs that are part of our digestive system. We will also investigate states of matter and how these change in response to an increased or decreased temperature.



In **History**, we will learn about the role that Derby and Derbyshire had in the Industrial Revolution.



In **Geography**, we will continue to learn about why the world needs rivers by focussing on the River Volga in Russia.



In **R.E.**, we will explore the sacred books of different religions and the way the stories in them guide believers and their worship.



In **Art**, we will learn how to use tints and shades of colours to show areas of light and dark and create dimension in our art work.



In **Design and Technology**, we will analyse and evaluate a range of fastenings, then devise a list of design criteria to design, generate templates and make a fabric book sleeve.



In **Music**, we will continue to learn to play the violin with the Derby Music Partnership.



In **P.S.H.E.** we will share our dreams and goals and learn how to keep our bodies and minds healthy.



In **Computing**, we will explore combining narrative and artwork to create computer animations and learn how to send and receive email safely and responsibly.



In **P.E.**, we will begin weekly swimming lessons every Tuesday at Moorways Sports Village and Water Park. In gymnastics, we will perform routines with matching, contrasting and linking balances on, off and over apparatus.



Dates for your diary:

15th January
World Religion Day

Friday 17th March
Comic Relief

6th to 12th February
Children's Mental Health Week

10th to 19th March
British Science Week

Tuesday 7th February
Safer Internet Day

27th March
Year 4 Class Assembly

Thursday 2nd March
World Book Day

In **Spanish**, we will learn how to name and describe the weather.



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