

English

This term, in English we will be using several pieces of poetry, on the theme of weather, to support the children's use of poetic language such as similes, metaphors, alliteration and onomatopoeia. We will continue to include strong verbs and more ambitious adjectives.

We will also use the features associated with persuasive texts

- Persuasive language
- Rhetorical questions
- Strong arguments
- Varied openers

Our outcome at the end of the half term will be to write our own Winter poem and a persuasive letter.

Maths

Multiplication and division

- Factor pairs
- Multiplying by 10 and 100
- Dividing by 10 and 100
- Multiplying and dividing 2 and 3 digit numbers by a one digit
- Efficient multiplication

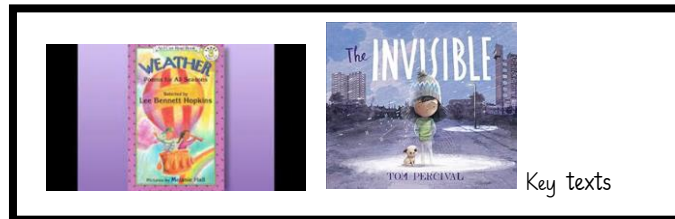
Length and perimeter

- Measuring in kilometres and metres
- Finding the perimeter of rectangular shapes
- Perimeter of polygons

Science

Our Science topic this half term is 'Sound' In this unit we will learn:

- that sound is caused by vibrating particles
- that sound can travel through different mediums
- how the inner parts of our ears work
- how sound waves travel
- what changes the pitch of a sound
- what can we use to amplify or insulate from sound



Humanities

In Geography this term we will be learning about world resources, focusing on how we share food resources

- Who grows our food?
- Does everyone have access to food and water equally?
- What are minerals and where do they come from?
- What is trade and who do we trade with?
- Do we share food fairly around the world?

Art and Design

In Art we will learn about the work of Guiseppe Arcimboldo and use his work as the basis for improving our skills in

- Tone and shade
- Texture and depth
- Perspectives
- Use these skills in our own observational drawings of fruit
- Evaluate our results

RE

Topic Islam – The Qur'an. What part the sacred text plays in the life of practicing Muslims

Topic 8 – Building Bridges. We will learn the part that forgiveness and reconciliation play and link this to our Sacramental Preparation module

Topic 5 – The Eucharist. We will begin to examine how to prepare for receiving the Eucharist and link this to our Sacramental Preparation module

PE – Net and wall games

PSHE- Getting on and falling out

Music – Using 'Sing up'

ICT- Programming 'Scratch', maze games

Key Information for Spring Term 1 (Year 4):

PE days – Our PE days for this half term are Wednesday and Thursday

Homework days- A homework menu, containing 14 varied tasks. has been given for the whole of the Spring term (12 weeks)

Children should complete an average of one task per week and upload on Seesaw.

Spellings will be given on a Tuesday and will be tested on the following Monday

Mini Vinnies- Mini Vinnies will be opened up to all members of year 4, who can show commitment to the work. The Mini Vinnies will decide on their next project for the Spring term.

Other information- For those signed up to the Sacramental Preparation program, sessions will start on Thursday 8th February, straight after school until 5pm. More details to follow.