Creative Curriculum

This half term, children will be continuing to read ‘Harry Potter’. Our curriculum this half term will be focusing on a Non-chronological report and an explanation. Children will be writing their own report / explanation about a journey through the digestive system. They will use the movie The Magic School Bus to stimulate their writing - Creativity is key! As part of the Creative Curriculum the Geography and History focus will be to learn about Fair-trade Food and the food distribution system. We will also discuss foods from around the world, and role play what it is like for small business owners trying to make a living.

At home, encourage your child to carry out research about the digestive system. Challenge them to explain the different process of the digestive system. Take your child to the library and allow them to deepen their knowledge about how food is transported across the world.

RMSE

This Term, we will be starting our new topic ‘Expressing Joy and Being Thankful’. We will also be learning about being more appreciative for all that we have in our lives. We will be learning about people less fortunate and how we can help them.

At home, encourage your child to talk about the different ways they have helped others and how do they always show being thankful.

PSHEC

We have an exciting PSHEC curriculum where the children will learn about their rights under UNICEF (Art 20 and 21). They will investigate the government’s role in protecting children and explain the understanding of tolerance. They will describe the effects of hunger on health.

At home, ask your child to explain how they could help end world hunger.

Autumn 2: Burps, Bottoms and Bile!

Maths

This year, Year 4 will be learning about multiplication and division. We will also be developing our knowledge about using written methods to multiply and divide further. A larger focus will be placed upon using our multiplication and division facts. We will also be learning all of our times table using Rock Stars!

At home, support your child to think about different ways to calculate an answer. Encourage your child to use the key mathematical vocabulary and also to reason their answers. They must also practice and learn all their times tables in preparation for the new Year 4 tests.

Physical Education

This half term, in Year 4 the boys will be learning to play football or handball. The girls will be swimming and also learning gymnastics. Remember it is essential that all children come to school wearing their PE kits on Mondays (the girls must also bring their swimming kits on Mondays)

At home, encourage your child to practise the skills they have learnt in Physical Education lessons as well as taking them to the swimming pool.

Art/DT

Art and DT lessons this half term will be linked to our work in Health Education and Geography. We are looking to raising awareness for healthy eating by designing and creating Healthy Snack Packs to be sold in the Enterprise Hub. We will also be designing a range of T-shirts to show how the digestive system works.

At home, research how different foods are advertised and bring in examples to show the class.

Homework

Our new homework format will continue this term. The children will be given a choice of homework to complete at the beginning of term. They can choose which creative curriculum homework to complete each week. Maths and spelling homework will be set weekly. Children can change their home reader book as soon as they finish it. We encourage all of our parents to let us know how well your child is reading at home. Please write your comments regularly in the Planner.

Science

This half term, we will be starting our unit “The Digestive System”. In this unit, we will be learning about how food is digested in our bodies, the different body parts which are involved in this and comparing our digestive system to an animal. We will even get to make a large scale working digestive system.

At home, visit the local library and try to find lots of information about the job of the digestive system and the different organs.

Computing

This half term, our topic is ‘We are toy designers’ and we will work together to design a simple toy that incorporates sensors and outputs, then create an on-screen prototype using the program Scratch.

At home, if possible, allow opportunities for your child to further engage with the scratch program.

Music

Year 4 have had a fantastic start with their musical instruments and are working towards our Winter Concert! This term, they will continue to develop their skills, learn to play different notes and complete pieces of music.

At home, encourage your child to practise the songs and techniques that they have learnt.

Year 4 Events

Visit to the Think Tank Museum 20th November 2019
Winter Music Concert 12th December 2019

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