

What we are learning... Year 4

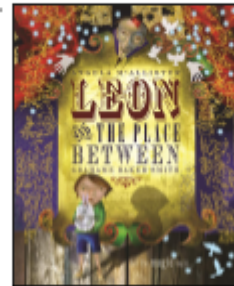
Maths

We will practise mental calculation strategies and revise and extend the children's knowledge of place value. We will develop the use of various addition, subtraction, multiplication and division strategies, including some more formal written approaches and solve 'real life' problems involving money. We will also revisit fractions towards the end of the term.



English

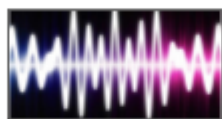
We will read stories set in imaginary worlds where unusual and exciting things might happen; we will be inspired to create our own similar settings, characters and plots. We will also be looking at biographies, persuasive writing and instructions in our non fiction writing topics and reading and writing image poetry. The children will continue to develop their writing skills, recognising and applying different verb tenses, revising the purpose of punctuation marks, learning various spelling rules and using cursive handwriting.



Science

We will be identifying how sounds are made and how they travel to our ears. The children will try to find patterns between the volume of a sound and the strength of vibrations that produced it.

After half term we will be investigating electricity. Children will be learning all about electrical circuits; putting their own questions to the test.



Design and Technology

After half term the children will be studying the art of Mondrian and exploring textiles inspired by his work.



French

This term we will be revising previous vocabulary and learning vocabulary for animals, the weather and clothing.



ICT

The children are developing their word processing skills including changing fonts, inserting pictures, using cut and paste and spell checking. We will be focusing on e-safety. Children will learn how to keep themselves safe on the Internet and what to do if they think something is wrong or if they are worried.



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PSHE

We are thinking about keeping healthy, learning to respect each other and practising our values, starting with democracy. We will also enjoy sharing community time.



Geography

We are developing our map skills and continuing to focus on our study of France.



History

The Celts are our history topic for this term. We will be thinking about who they were, where they came from and when they lived in Britain. The children will be looking at why they settled in certain places, what their houses looked like, what they wore, what they believed in and we will be investigating the crafts and skills of the period.



PE

We will be doing Cool Core Pilates and Boot Camp as well as football skills. After half term children will also be learning and developing their swimming at Flitwick Leisure centre.



RE

Children will be reflecting on the Faith Tour and thinking about where, how and why people worship.



Art and Design

In the first half term we will be developing our drawing skills, through sketching and shading, applying different tones and pressures. We will be looking at how to observe shapes, patterns and shadows closely, compose a still life and draw objects in proportion to one another. They will also practise enlarging images in their art work.

