

RE

In RE we will be studying and discussing right and wrong. The children will discuss how to make the right choice and the consequences we face when we make the wrong choice. They will also debate on scenarios that are right or wrong and highlight differences in viewpoint.

D+T

This half term Year 4 will be designing, making and evaluating "magic wands" using a range of materials and techniques. The children will also be designing and creating a memento box in which they will collect keepsakes from their topic.

Computing

In Year 4, the children will use the coding programmes Scratch and Sphero to create a game.

Science

Our focus in Science this half term is States of matter. We will be comparing and grouping materials and observing what happens to materials when they are heated and cooled. The children will make their own chocolate frogs and investigating the temperature at which they melt.

PE

Year 4 will continue with their swimming lessons on a Tuesday morning. In Mr Dyson's lessons the children will be learning skills for invasion games.

Art

This half term Year 4 will improve their mastery of art techniques, specifically drawing. The children will be using a range of materials, including chalk and oil pastels, in their drawing to achieve different effects.

Maths

This half term we will be focussing on position and direction, using and creating maps using coordinates. We will also be looking at measurement, particularly length, and how to convert between a range of measurements. We will also be spending time revising multiplication and division, learning key multiplication facts off by heart.

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English

We will start our half term with looking at the poem 'The Magic Box' and writing our own versions of the poem. We will then be learning the structure of and writing portal stories using 'Harry Potter and the Philosopher's Stone' as our core text. The children will then identify the features of newspaper reports and use them to write their own reports.

Oracy

We will be improving our speaking and listening skills through weekly oracy sessions. This half term we will develop presentation and debate skills.

PSCHE

The whole school theme for this half term is 'courage.' We will be discussing what courage is, how it can be shown in our daily lives and focusing on never giving up. We will discuss this in both whole school and class worship.

Topic

Our topic work this half term will have a Geography focus. We will be linking this to our Maths work on maps. We will be using grid references to locate specific places and describing their position. The children will be using maps to locate Greece and then researching the country. This will lead in to Summer 2's Topic about Ancient Greece.