



Year 4 – Autumn Term Curriculum Map



MATHS

In Maths, we are going to be completing the following units: Place value; Addition and Subtraction; Measurement and Area; Multiplication and Division. We will be encouraging the children to use mathematical thinking and build on their metacognitive skills. We will be focusing more on deeper thinking by ensuring children are giving good reasonings to their problem-solving tasks.

ENGLISH

In English, we are going to be focusing on sentence structure and writing narratives. During our lessons, the children are going to be writing in different styles such as, letters, diaries, poems and narratives. We are motivating the children to practise and use some of the year 4 spelling words in their writing.

SCIENCE

Our science topics for the autumn term are Forces and Magnets and Electricity.

In these units we will:

- Discover how different things move on different surfaces
- Learn how magnetic forces work
- Investigate which materials are magnetic and which are not
- Understand how electricity works and create our own simple circuits

KEY TEXTS

The key texts we will be using to support our curriculum this term are:

- The Sound Collector by Roger McGough (Poetry)
- The Miraculous Journey of Edward Tulane by Kate DiCamillo
- The Midnight Fair by Gideon Sterer
- The Nutcracker

HISTORY

In History, we are going to be completing a local history unit all about the history of Birstall. This will include:

- Birstall's origins in the Anglo-Saxon period and how the name relates to Roman history.
- How Birstall has changed significantly over time.
- Historically significant local features including the old school, the old forge cottage, the river, the railway, cedar tree and the church.

GEOGRAPHY

In Geography, we are going to be learning about:

- Different global biomes and the foods that grow in them.
- The impact of food choices on the environment.
- How countries can trade fairly.
- The changes people can make to reduce the negative impact of food production.



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PE

During the Autumn term, our units are going to be swimming, gymnastics and a range of outdoor sports delivered by Mr. Clarke and his team. We are beginning with gymnastics looking at counterbalances as well as moving in a sequence and creating a routine. During outdoor sport's sessions, we will be learning the specific positions of the sport, the many rules as well as working on our footwork and co-ordination.

Spiritual, Moral, Social and Cultural (SMSC) PSHE/RE

In R.E, we will study what Hindus believe God is like and look at the Trinity and why it is important to Christians.

In PSHE, we will look at how to create and maintain positive mental health and well being as well as looking at strategies to manage risk.

MUSIC

Music will be taught following the Primary Leicestershire Music Scheme. We will start the year by investigating pulse in a range of Music and then move onto our unit entitled "Voice" where we will be singing a range of songs.

We will also participate in weekly singing assemblies and learn songs related to topics and festivals.

ART/DT

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- To create a sign for a fairground in the style of the artist Fred Fowle.

DT

- To design, make and evaluate our own miniature fairground ride.

COMPUTING

In Computing, we will start the year by looking at Computing Systems and networks, with a focus on the Internet.

After half term, we will move onto audio editing and how to create a podcast.

LANGUAGES

During our French lessons in Year 4, we will be learning basic French vocabulary around a range of topics such as classroom instructions and animals. We will focus on correct pronunciation and then look at creating simple sentences related to our topics.