



St. Werburgh's C. E. Primary School

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Friday 14th January 2022

Dear Parents and Carers,

RE: Spring Term Curriculum Update – Year 4

Below you will find a brief outline of the curriculum areas which we will be focusing upon in class throughout the spring term.

If you require any further information, please do not hesitate to contact me.

<u>Core Subjects</u>	
English	<p>This term in English, we will be learning to write:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">* Fiction – Historical narrative* Fiction - Adventure <p>We will also be focusing upon:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Expanded noun phrases;• Correct use of nouns and pronouns;• Punctuating speech;• Organising paragraphs around themes;• Standard English for verb inflections. <p>These skills will be taught through topic work and work based on:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Escape from Pompeii by Christina Balit;• When the Giant Stirred by Celia Godkin <p>In spellings this year, children will be filling the gaps in their spelling knowledge as well as learning new spellings from the year group they are in.</p> <p>Through Guided Reading sessions, shared reading in class and individual reading, the children will be taught the skills of using relevant quotations to support what they are saying. They will also further progress their retrieval and inference skills and continue to learn about the layout and key features of texts as well as making comments about the writers language choices and how this impacts on the reader.</p>
Maths	<p>This term in Maths, we will be covering the following areas:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Place value• Addition and subtraction• Geometry (properties of shapes)• Multiplication and division• Fractions

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Measurement (length) • Statistics • Perimeter and Area <p>Weekly x tables' tests will take place throughout the week, which will aid their understanding of times tables up to 12x12. Through continuous practice both in school and at home on TT Rockstars, this will greatly aid their speed and accuracy.</p>				
Science	<p>Our Science topics this term are:</p> <table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th>Looking at States</th> <th>Teeth and Eating</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Identify and explain the difference between solids, liquids and gases; • Predict, investigate and evaluate the changing states of all three states of matter whilst investigating freezing, melting, evaporation and condensation; • To understand the process of the water cycle and confidently be able to explain each step. </td> <td> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To explore the different types of teeth, their uses and importance; • To understand how the digestive system works and the functions of each part; • To construct a variety of food chains being able to identify producers, predators and prey. </td> </tr> </tbody> </table>	Looking at States	Teeth and Eating	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Identify and explain the difference between solids, liquids and gases; • Predict, investigate and evaluate the changing states of all three states of matter whilst investigating freezing, melting, evaporation and condensation; • To understand the process of the water cycle and confidently be able to explain each step. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To explore the different types of teeth, their uses and importance; • To understand how the digestive system works and the functions of each part; • To construct a variety of food chains being able to identify producers, predators and prey.
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RE	<p>During the autumn term, we will be focusing on the topics of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • What can we learn from a Synagogue? • Why do Christians call the day Jesus died 'Good Friday'? 				
<p>Foundation Subjects</p> <p>Our topic for the first half term is 'Rivers and The Water Cycle' Our topic for the second half term is 'Roman Britain'</p>					

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Throughout the foundation subjects, cross-curricular links will be developed and the children will be given regular opportunities to reinforce and use their English and Maths skills.	
Geography (first half term)	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Name and locate some of the UK's and the world's most significant rivers and mountain environments• Learn about the features of a names river (the River Thames) in the UK, from source to mouth• Learn how rivers and mountains are formed• Identify some of the processes associated with rivers• Understand where rivers and mountains fit into the water cycle
History (second half term)	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Develop a chronologically secure knowledge and understanding of British history• Address historically valid questions about change, cause and significance• Construct informed responses that involve the thoughtful selection and organisation of historical information• Address and devise historically valid questions about similarity and difference.
Art	Art will be taught during the second half of the spring term. The children will focus on colour, drawing and pattern and will be focusing their studies on Roman shields.
D&T	Design and Technology will be taught in the first half of the autumn term. The topic will be 'Volcano Cookies'. The children will research, bake, decorate and (most importantly) taste their own cookies.
Computing	In computing this term we will be looking at coding. This is a great topic and allows children to explore using computer programming, allowing them to make their own computer games.
PSHE	Our PSHE topic for the first half term is 'Safety First.' The children will focus on how we are kept safe, the importance of following rule and the importance of being responsible. The topic for the second half of the term is 'One World.'

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Foreign Languages	Spanish lessons will take place every other Friday and will be taught by Mr Day.
Music	Music will continue to be taught by Mrs Whiteley.
Physical Education	Year 4 children will have PE on Monday afternoon and Friday morning this term. The children will be swimming each Monday and throughout the term, on Fridays, the children will explore a range of sporting opportunities to develop their skills and fitness. Please ensure that the children have their PE kit in school, long hair is tied back and all jewellery is removed. For swimming, the children must bring their swimming clothes, a towel and if required, goggles.

Class homework will be sent out every Monday and should be returned to school the following Thursday/Friday. Spellings will be sent out on a Monday and a test will take place on a Friday morning.

If I, or any member of the school team can be of any help then please do not hesitate to contact us.

Kind regards for an exciting term ahead.

Miss Jewell

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