



Central Primary Curriculum Overview – Year 4 – Autumn Term 2

Subject Area	Content
English	<p>Reading: Independent time for reading will be provided every day. Additionally, small groups will have a structured guided reading session with the teacher once a week and also with the Learning Support Assistant</p> <p>Writing: In English, our unit of work will be around Myths, starting with Icarus. We will look at expanding our vocabulary, identify features of this kind of text and teach new skills for writing. Then, we'll practice these skills writing our version of Perseus and Medusa. As well as Myths, we will be focussing on different themed poems like Kennings and Haikus, building up the skills to write our own.</p>
Maths	<p>We will be looking at the following areas in Maths:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Subtraction (expanded and compact column method with exchanging) - Written multiplication (grid method and compact column method) - Written Division (mental strategies and short division) - Measurement (reading scales and exploring conversion)
Science	<p>Scientific Investigations Skills: We will be learning to ask questions that can be investigated scientifically and decide how to find answers. We will be learning to think about what might happen (predicting) and suggest ways to collect and record data.</p> <p>Science Content: This half term we will learn about Electricity. We will be thinking about sources and consumers of electricity and conductors and insulators. We will then move on to understanding the dangers surrounding electricity before beginning to build circuits, recognising symbols for its components and investigating the effect of changing components within a circuit.</p>
ICT	<p>Authoring: Children investigate computing storage capacities and ways of saving data. They develop understanding of the school network and operating systems. They use varied resources to create digital content, creating and manipulating images and words. They select and use software to create non-linear content for specific audiences and objectives.</p>
French	<p>In French, we will be revisiting our work on Animals. We will read the story <<Ours Brun>> and explore the use of adjectives to describe animals focusing initially on colour adjectives and French word order.</p>

	Pupils will play with the language of the story and add their own sections exploring new animals.
Topic	<p>Art: In Art, we will be looking at Scandinavian patterns. Focussing on Marimekko, an influential textile design company known for their bold colours and prints inspired by nature.</p> <p>History: We are focussing in our local area, learning about the history of the school and the history of Watford.</p> <p>Geography: We will be studying local maps and learning map reading skills.</p>
Music	We will be continuing the voices foundation project. This term we will be beginning learn informal musical notation alongside constant consolidation of pitch, timbre, and rhythm work.
P.E	This term, PE will be conducted by Skills 7 once a week. Our other weekly PE session will be focussed on Hockey .
PSHCE	In PSHCE, we will be looking at managing emotions . We will focus in relationships and strategies to deal with our own and other people's reactions and response to different situations.
R.E	In RE, Light and Good versus Evil will be our focus point. We will learn about how light and new beginnings are represented in different religions, paying particular attention to the Festival of Lights and Christmas around the world.
Educational Visits	Tour of Watford – (Date TBC)
Things to bring	Children must bring their reading book and reading record to school every day. They may also bring a water bottle to keep in class. Please, remember to bring a full outdoor PE kit including trainers.
Dates to remember	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Wednesday 8th November - Parent E-Safety Talk 9am & 2:45pm • Wednesday 8th November - E-safety Meeting For Parents 6:00pm – 6:30pm • Wednesday 22nd November – Festival of Light 6:00 – 7:00 • Friday 1st December - Tree Dressing Assembly 9:00 – 9:45 • Monday 11th December - Y3 & Y4: Advent Assembly at Derby Road Church • Wednesday 13th December – Christmas Dinner: Wear a festive Jumper • Thursday 14th December – Carol Concerts 9:00 – 9:45 • Friday 15th December – Early Close 1:30pm (Last day)