

ENGLISH

Year 4 will read and respond to 'A Kid in My Class' - a poetry collection by Rachel Rooney. To understand the meaning and themes of these pieces, we will explore the poems through discussion, art, drama and recital. We will examine how rhythm, tempo, action and sound effects can make a performance more effective. Pupils will have the opportunity to apply the skills they have learnt during this unit at our Godwin Poetry Slam, where they will perform their poetry and compete with their peers.

GEOGRAPHY

We will be exploring Europe as a continent, locating it on a map and a globe, as well as identifying the main countries and their flags. Developing their co-ordination and mapping skills and accessing digital maps, children will analyse physical and human features.

PE

Children in 4B will continue their swimming lessons while other classes will develop their badminton skills. For outdoor PE, all children will be developing their athletic talents, including sprinting and jumping.

PSHE

Our topic, 'Changing Me', will help children prepare for the social, physical and emotional changes that they will experience as they grow. This will include learning to use the anatomically correct terms for external body parts.

MUSIC

During this term, pupils will continue to play and sing an arranged version of the French lullaby "Au Clair de la Lune", at the same time as they develop the ability to perform harmonised voices. Children will continue to learn to play the glockenspiel whilst singing.

FRENCH

This half-term the topic in French is 'Music genres and instruments'. Children will explore the patterns and sounds of language and rhymes through songs.

MATHEMATICS

This half-term, pupils will be examining different angles, learning how to identify them and use them to describe and classify a range of polygons. They will also be looking at measures, accurately reading analogue and digital clocks. This will be extended to understanding how to use the 24 hour clock and solve word problems involving time. Pupils will also interpret and present discrete and continuous data using appropriate graphical methods, including bar charts and line graphs.

COMPUTING

Children will be introduced to the basic concepts to create animations and recognise how these can be created with and without digital devices. They will apply these skills to plan and animate their own short film, highlighting an article in the UNCRF.

RE

In RE, Year 4 will study the topic 'What happens when someone gets married?' Children will think about what it means to 'celebrate' and consider the significance and symbolism of marriage in different religions. A vicar from a local church will teach the pupils the order of service of a Christian wedding ceremony.

SCIENCE

The children will continue learning about 'Teeth and Digestion' this half-term, focusing on the body's actions during this process. They will study the functions of each organ within the digestive system. Pupils will explore and understand the roles of a producer, consumer, prey and predator within a food chain as well as how energy is transferred within these.

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