

Year 4 Curriculum Overview

Summer term 2018

Class 4M, 4G & 4R



This leaflet tells you what your child will be learning this term. We really value the help that you can give your child with their learning. These are some of the things you can do:

Take them to the library regularly so they have a wider choice of books to read and look out for books about this term's topic

Find information from the internet about the topic we are learning

Make sure your child has the time and space to do their homework every week, and offer help when needed.

Help your child to practise all their times tables regularly

Help your child to learn spellings given to them. A useful strategy is to get your child to:

LOOK at the word

SAY the word

COVER the word up

WRITE the word without looking at it

CHECK the spelling is correct, and repeat the above steps if necessary

Please encourage your child to read regularly at home every day for 15 – 20 minutes, and try to come to *Everyone Reads* every Friday to share a book with them.

Support them to be independent and make sure they have everything they need in school on the right day e.g. their PE and swimming kits, homework.

The curriculum:

ENGLISH

We will be learning about the following topics:

- Discussion- debate or report about whether 'junk' food should be banned for under 16year olds
- Fairy tales and fables- stories with a moral
- Persuasive texts – advertising food that children have researched and made to sell to families
- Poetry related to food



We will be continuing with the No Nonsense Spelling Programme. Spellings are sent every two weeks. Children will be practising spelling patterns and will be tested on these fortnightly.

There will be regular handwriting sessions, following the school's handwriting policy.

MATHS:

These are the objectives we will be covering this term:

- Decimals
- Measurement – money
- Measurement – time
- Statistics
- Geometry – properties of shape
- Geometry – position and direction



TOPIC – Food Glorious Food

Topic (Geography, Art and Design and Technology):

- Locating countries in the world where different foods are grown using maps, atlases, globes and digital/computer mapping
- Researching why different foods are grown in certain countries and how they get to the UK
- Learning about nutrition and healthy eating
- Preparing and cooking a variety of dishes and cooking techniques
- Understanding how the seasons affect where ingredients are grown
- Understanding how different ingredients are grown
- Sketching and painting skills, influenced by Arcimboldo's portraits using fruits and vegetables



Science:

- Exploring how living things can be grouped in different ways
- Using keys to help group and identify living things
- Make and answer questions about a variety of food chains
- Identify the different types of teeth in humans and their simple functions
- Describing simple functions and parts of the digestive system in humans
- Look at foods that are solids, liquids and gases and how they change when heated or cooled
- Understand and explain the roles of evaporation and condensation in the water cycle



PSHCE:

- Road safety
- Relationships and Sex Education.

RE:

- Comparing food and celebrations eaten in Christianity, Buddhism and Islam

PE:

- Net Games
- Athletics



Spanish:

- Telling the time
- School lessons (what we learn in school and when in the day)

Music:

- Singing (Food Glorious Food, layering London street cries, Under the Lemon Tree and Ame Sau Vala Tara Bal)
- Playing melodies on instruments keeping to a simple rhythm (xylophone, table, triangle, Indian bells, recorder, keyboard)

Other information:

PE & Swimming:

Each class will continue to have 1 session of PE and 1 session of swimming per week

Swimming is on Wednesdays for 4M and 4G and Fridays for 4R

Please send your child's PE and swimming kits in on a Monday and they will be brought home once used.

Please ensure that your child reads every day. Also, please check your child's book bag daily for letters and information from school.

English, Maths and Topic homework will be given out every Thursday and collected in on Tuesday.

Year 4 class assemblies this term are:

4R – Friday 27th April

4G – Thursday 3rd May

4M – Friday 11th May

Educational visit to the National Portrait Gallery on Thursday 19th April.

We are looking forward to having a productive and enjoyable term with you and your child. If you have any queries please do not hesitate to contact a member of the Year Four team or Mrs Averbrook, Assistant Head for Years 3 & 4.

Miss Robinson, Mrs Grigoriadou and Miss Mohamed
- **Class Teachers**