

Prae Wood Summer A Curriculum Information for Parents - Year 4

Teaching of the core areas of English, maths, science and computing will be drawn from the National Curriculum guidance and where possible will be linked to our topic, which for this half term is:

Kings and Queens

For this half term that will include:

- exploring the features of a discussion
- writing a discussion
- reading a range of persuasive texts
- exploring the features of persuasive texts
- evaluating advertisements for their impact and appeal
- writing a persuasive letter to the king
- gathering vocabulary to write a free verse poem
- extending our understanding of spelling patterns
- focusing on the use of openers, apostrophes and the use of commas
- revisiting the past and present tense
- summarising during whole class guided reading sessions
- exploring the different units of measurement alongside practical investigations
- consolidating our understanding of the written methods and telling the time on both an analogue and digital clock.
- continuing to learn about states of matter in science and investigating changes.
- programming is our computing theme; we will be learning how to play and create games using Scratch.

From our immersion we have discovered that some children already know:

- King Henry VIII had 6 wives.
- Queen Victoria had a whole period of history named after her.
- Elizabeth I never married.

We have decided that we will focus on:

- Developing our knowledge of the chronology from 1066 to the present day.
- Debating who was the most successful monarch and why.
- Learning about King John and the importance of the Magna Carta.
- Understanding why Queen Victoria was so influential during her reign.
- Learning about how the power of the monarchy has changed

We will make links between different curriculum areas where possible to enable a better understanding of the subjects.

We will use our PSHE lessons to think about democracy. We will explore how to plan and hold a debate on a key issue, making sure we listen to other individuals' points of view.

In RE we will explore the theme of sacred books in Christianity and Islam.

Our areas of study in PE this half term will be tennis and tri-golf. Our PE lessons will take place on Wednesday afternoons and Friday afternoons.

French and music will be on a Monday with Mrs Pendred and Mrs Tinkler respectively.

Here are some diary dates of note for this term – the website diary is updated every week with new information.

Friday 3 rd May	Year 4 Parent Assembly
Monday 6 th May	Bank Holiday
Wednesday 8 th May	Class photos
Week beginning 20 th May	Sustainability Week – walk/scoot/cycle to school
Tuesday 21 st May	PWSA meeting 7.30pm
Monday 27 th May – Friday 31 st May	Half term
Wednesday 12 th June	Acacia to Pizza Express
Friday 21 st June	Inset day- School closed for children
Monday 24 th -Friday 28 th June	Sports Week
Wednesday 26 th June	Duathlon Day Y1-Y6
Wednesday 3 rd July	Blackthorn to Pizza Express
Thursday 11 th July	Changeover Day
Saturday 13 th July	PWSA Summer Fair
Thursday 27 th June	School Sports Day at Westminster Lodge
Monday 22 nd July	Whole school trip – details to follow
Tuesday 23 rd July	Thank you tea party
Wednesday 24 th July at 1.30	Break-up – end of school year