



English



READING

We will be:

- Focusing on understanding the key points of a text and writing a short summary.
- Reading Class novel: *Charlie and the Chocolate Factory*.
- Predicting events in a novel with justifications.

We will be:

- Writing creative narratives surrounding the themes within *Charlie and the Chocolate Factory*.
- Developing our vocabulary, including expanded noun phrases, to describe settings and surroundings.

Spelling:

We will be continuing to focus on the Year four Spelling list and the key spelling rules that surround it.

Creative Curriculum



Topic Unit: The Ancient Mayans

In our TOPIC activities we will be finding out about:

- The evolution of the Maya Civilisation, including developing a timeline of key events.
- The importance of the Mayan Masks and what they represent.
- The development of the Maya numerical system and alphabet.

We will also be investigating and researching the Mayan Gods and their importance and influence on the civilisation.

Science



In Science we will be learning about:

The simple functions and basic parts of the digestive system in humans. Children will identify the different types of teeth and identify producers, predators and prey.

Maths



Place Value

We will be learning and reinforcing skills linked to:

Counting in multiples of 6, 7, 8, 25 and 1000.

Reinforcing place value, as well as rounding and estimating numbers up to 1000.

Counting backwards through zero including negative numbers.

Addition

Adding and subtracting numbers up to 4 digits using the Formal Written Methods.

Estimating and checking answers using the inverse operations.

Solving two-step addition and subtraction problems in contexts, deciding which operations to use and why.



Physical Education



In PE we will:

- 4 Willow will be swimming every Thursday. A letter with more information will be given out shortly

Music



In Music, by half term, 4 Willow will sample the Doods, Steel Pans and Percussion and the Ukelele.

The children will then rate the instruments and will be allocated an instrument that they will take home and learn throughout the year in each Monday music lesson.

Computing



In Computing: We are learning about...

- Computer networks, including the internet, and how they provide multiple services and the opportunities they offer for communication and collaboration.

R.E and Life Education



In LIFE skills and R.E. we will be looking at: Christianity

- explaining who founded Christianity and where it was founded
- explaining the main beliefs of Christianity
- identifying Christian special places and explaining why they are special
- naming and explaining the main Christian festivals
- explaining what the Bible is and the two key sections.
- Locating key passages within the Bible

Themed Days

Entry to Topic

To get our imaginations running wild, we will introduce our topic by trying a number of different sweets and cakes. It will soon become clear that Miss Cook likes to work with food!

Exit to Topic

Towards the end of the term, we will have a drama workshop for children to discuss the importance of fair trade and farming sustainably.

Upcoming Events

- 10.09.18 - 5.45pm s Welcome to Year Group meeting
- 27.09.18 s 3.30pm 5.45pm s Phonics Workshop
- 01.10.18 s School photos
- 11.10.18 s Harvest Festival
- 18.10.18 - Halloween Disco

Reading Target

I can discuss words and phrases that capture the reader's interest and imagination and recognise the use and effect of patterned language in text.

Home Learning

Maths and English homework will be handed out each Friday, to be returned by the following Tuesday. Spellings will be handed out on a Monday. The children will be tested on a Friday. Please can you also support your child by reading with them daily, and helping to secure a thorough times tables knowledge.