

Computing

In computing we will be learning about how information posted online may be copied, shared and stored by others. We will be linking this to our topic 'Under the sea' by researching about plastic pollution and writing a blog on saving the environment.

During our 'Peculiar Potions' topic we will then be using search engines and a range of programs to complete tasks.

Music

We will be following our Music Express scheme.

French

In French this term we will be revising ways to describe people and give characteristics using various adjectives. In term 2 we will be learning how to talk about leisure activities and tell the time.

PE

In term 1 our outdoor PE unit will be Tennis. In term 2 the children will have PE with Mr Corbett, focusing on Football. The children will also have indoor PE developing a range of Gymnastic skills.

Other events/notices

For our 'Under the Sea' topic we require some resources from home... could you bring in shoe boxes and recycled plastics. Thank you ☺

Note: This leaflet provides a very broad outline of the topics which are planned for this term. Some adjustment may be necessary as the term progresses.

We recognise that every child progresses at a different rate in different subjects. These individual needs are built into the teachers' differentiated planning.

English Martyrs RC Primary School



Year 4



Topic Map - Autumn Term 2018 - 19





Themes this term:
Autumn 1 - Under the Sea
Autumn 2 - Peculiar Potions



English

In English this term we will be learning the wishing tale 'King of the Fishes' and using this to write our own wishing tale. Children will practice writing noun phrases, similes and use adverb starters to make their stories interesting and descriptive. During the second half of the term children will be writing non-chronological reports on an imaginary magical creature; linking this to what they will have learnt in science in Autumn term 1. In both units, children will read a variety of different texts based on the type of writing we are doing, to expand their vocabulary and develop their comprehension skills in these areas.

Maths

In Maths this term we will be consolidating our understanding of place value of 4 digit numbers and we will develop our understanding of decimals and fractions. Children will identify and compare a range of angles as well as learn to convert time between analogue and digital 12 and 24 hour clocks. During the 2nd term children will be exploring mental multiplication and division as well as multiplying using a formal written method. Children will also be interpreting and presenting data on bar charts and line graphs. Throughout the term children will have the opportunity for a range of problem solving using a variety of skills to embed their learning. Throughout Year 4 we will have a big focus on times tables to prepare children for the voluntary online Multiplication Tables Check in June.

Science

Our two science units in the Autumn term are; 'Living Things and Their Habitat' and 'States of Matter'. Children will learn how living things can be grouped together in various ways and how environments can change, meaning some living things are put in danger. During term 2 children will then group materials together, demonstrate and explain how some materials change state and learn about evaporation and condensation in the water cycle.

RE

Our topics for this term are 'Creation', 'Prayer & Feasts' and 'Advent/Christmas'. St Almond class worship is on Thursday 27th September and St Arrowsmith class worship is on Thursday 11th October. Parents, as always are invited to join us.

History/Geography

During our 'Under the sea' topic children will be learning about continents and oceans (climate/animals/unique features etc.). Whilst also considering how people affect the environment through pollution. We are aiming to describe what changes have occurred and understand how humans are affected as well as other animals. During our 'Peculiar Potions' topic children will be using sources of information, to go beyond simple observations and answer questions about the past whilst focusing on medicines.

Art/Design Technology

In Art we will be using recycled materials to create 3-D sculptures. Children will be creating different effects using a variety of tools and techniques. We will be considering how we can improve our work consistently.