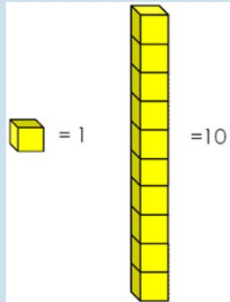




Year 4 Autumn Term 1 2020

Maths

This half-term we will be focusing on **number and place value**, before moving onto **addition and subtraction**.



Firstly, we will be using manipulatives, such as Base 10, counters and place value grids, to represent, read, write, order and compare numbers up to 4-digits. We will also be recapping rounding numbers to the nearest 10 and 100 and then rounding numbers to the nearest 1000 using number lines. Lastly, we will practise adding and subtracting numbers up to 4 digits, using formal written methods.



English

In English this half term, we will be linking our learning to the Romans. We will be studying a range of texts in reading and writing, including the Roman Record, a collection of fictional newspaper reports, and Romans on the Rampage, a story set in Ancient Roman times. The children will be producing their own newspaper reports and biographies about Roman Gods.

During this half term, the children will revisit the Year 3 and 4 statutory words and start to work through the Year 4 spellings. In our SPAG sessions, we will be revisiting the rules for punctuating sentences and looking at word classes. We will also continue to encourage daily reading both at school and at home for children to achieve their weekly 'Read for a star'.



Key Vocabulary:

Maths: thousands, hundreds, tens, ones, rounding, order, more than, less than, equal to, partition, numerals, add, subtract, place value, exchange.

Science: solids, liquids, gases, evaporation, condensation, particles, matter.

Topic: gladiators, empire, emperor/empress, chariot, invade/invasion, tribes, barbarian, centurion

Topic - In History, we will be learning about the Romans and their successful invasion of Britain. The children will also discover how the native people of Britain (the Celts) felt about the Roman invasion and will examine Boudicca's Rebellion. Finally, they will examine the long-lasting impact the Romans had on the British way of life.



Science - The children will be learning about states of matter and will compare materials to decide if they are solids, liquids or gases. Using their observational skills, they will note how materials change state when heated or cooled. Finally, they will learn how evaporation and condensation work as part of the water cycle.



Music and Computing - In Computing, the children will be comparing their online with their real life identities, learning how to show respect to others online and improving their typing speeds and accuracy. In Music, the children will be learning and practising the Harvest rap to perform in our socially distanced Harvest festival.

Spanish- The children will be learning how to greet one another, say their name and age. They will also be looking at places of interests.

Sports

In their PE sessions once every third Thursday, the children will need to wear their PE kits to school. Due to Covid restrictions, all PE will take place outside, so children will need to be dressed appropriately for the weather in Autumn e.g. **long sleeved top/tracksuit top, jogging bottoms, a waterproof jacket and trainers**. In these sessions once every Thursday, the children will be developing their hockey skills. Other PE activities will take place during the children's structured play sessions throughout the week.

PE rota:

Les Lapins: 1/10/20, 22/10/20

Les Hiboux: 17/10/20, 8/10/20

Les Faisans: 23/9/20, 15/10/20

RE/RSE

This half term, we will be exploring the question 'Where do Christian religious beliefs come from?' The children will be examining passages from the bible and the work of a Christian philosopher.

In RSE, the children will be looking at the benefits of exercise and hobbies for mental wellbeing and learning to recognise and respond to a range of different emotions. In their growth mindset lesson, the children will discuss how overcoming failure is an important part of the learning process.

Weekly diary

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| Monday | Reading diary in school so that Read for a Star and Marvellous Maths stamps can be awarded. |
| Tuesday | |
| Wednesday | |
| Thursday | Library, Outdoor learning and PE (on a 3 week rota). Home learning is due in to be marked. |
| Friday | New weekly home learning activities set on Seesaw. |

Key Dates this Half-Term

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| Monday 14 th September @ 2.30pm | Expectations video for years 3 and 4 goes live. |
| Friday 18th September | Curriculum Day |
| Friday 2nd October | Harvest Festival |
| Friday 9th October @2:30pm | Les Faisans Virtual Show and Share |
| Monday 12th and Wednesday 14th October @ 3-6pm | Virtual Parent Evenings |
| Wednesday 21st October @ 4pm | Virtual Friends and Family Cafe |

News

Welcome back to all of our Year 4 pupils and their families! We hope that you had a restful and enjoyable break over the summer. Although we cannot welcome families into our classrooms at the moment, we still want to make sure we work closely to make sure your child thrives in school and at home! Given this, we will be:

- Continuing to use **Seesaw** to set home learning tasks and remote learning (where necessary). Should you have any questions, please email or phone your child's class teacher.
- Host **learning cafes and Show and Share assemblies** for families virtually. Save the dates and watch this space for more information!
- Teachers can be contacted via the school office. We would be more than happy to give you a call or email you regarding any questions you may have.

Year 4 Team- Mrs Bowes Mulligan and Mrs Harwood (Les Lapins), Miss Bettermann (Les Faisans), Mrs Stevenson (Les Hiboux) and Miss Hunter.