

Dates for your Diary

5.9.16	New term commences
7.9.16	Reception children start
14.9.16	NSPCC PANTS assemblies KS1/KS2
14.9.16	Photographer in school for Reception, KS1 and KS2 children
15.9.16	Year 5 Bikeability Training Session 1
19.9.16	Roald Dahl week
21.9.16	Year 5+6 NSPCC workshops
22.9.16	Year 6 play in a day
22.9.16	Year 5 Bikeability Training Session 2
23.9.16	Years 1+2 Roald Dahl workshop
26.9.16	International Language Day
29.9.16	Year 6 Height and Weight screening
29.9.16	Year 2 museum visit
7.10.16	INSET Day – SCHOOL CLOSED
11.10.16	10am Full Governing Body Meeting
11.10.16	Year 5 Soccer Academy
19.10.16	1.45pm Parents Afternoon KS1 + KS2
21.10.16	2pm Finish for half term holiday
31.10.16	8.55am return to school
7.11.16	INSET Day – SCHOOL CLOSED
5.12.16	Winter Fayre
6.12.16	RG Nativity 1.30-2.30
6.12.16	KS2 Nativities 10am and 2pm
7.12.16	RH Nativity 1.30-2.30
8.12.16	RR Nativity 1.30-2.30
12.12.16	KS1 – Dick Wittington Panto in school
13.12.16	KS2 – Pantomime at Everyman Theatre
13.12.16	7pm Choir to sing at Millenium Centre – West Derby Village
13.12.16	10am and 1.30pm – KS1 Nativities
15.12.16	Grotto Day
9.12.16	10am Morning Nursery Nativity
9.12.16	1.30pm Afternoon Nursery Nativity
20.12.16	Nursery Party Day
21.12.16	2pm Finish for Christmas
4.1.17	8.55am Return to school

Homework

In order for our children to achieve their full potential please ensure that reading occurs every night and all homework tasks are completed

Emergency Contact Numbers


Recently, several children have become ill in school and we have not been able to contact anyone to come and collect them. This is very distressing for the pupil involved, and should an emergency occur the situation could be potentially dangerous.

Please keep the school informed of any change of address but most importantly, any change of phone number.

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Year: 4

Autumn Term 2016



Literacy

We will focus on learning Year 4 spelling rules. Once we have studied these rules we will go on to consolidate spelling rules from previous years. Children will work in groups and take spellings home throughout the term.

There will be a focus on presentation and handwriting this term. It is important that children are using joined handwriting by the end of Year 4.

This term Year 4 will be studying stories set in imaginary worlds stories with historical settings newspapers and magazines.

Stories set in imaginary worlds: We will use a collection of texts and books, including Book 1 of the Spiderwick Chronicles series, to inspire children to write their own stories with imaginary worlds.

Stories with historical settings: Using the Romans topic as inspiration, as well as reading a collection of stories, children will learn a story to retell. Children will then use this story as a basis for writing their own stories.

Newspapers & Magazines: Using a range of texts children will learn about the features required to write newspaper reports and magazine articles. Children will have to write their own newspaper reports and magazine articles by the end of the unit.

Maths

We will learn about place value (how each digit represents ones, tens, hundreds or thousands etc). We will also learn formal written methods for all calculations as well as ongoing practice of mental calculation methods. Children will learn how to use decimals, fractions and percentages and solve real-life problems using money and measures.

Children are expected to know the times tables facts up to x12 by the end of Year 4. It is important that children practise all times tables.

PE

Year 4 will have Dance every Monday and Swimming every Wednesday .

Please leave PE kits in school and take them home during holidays to be cleaned.

PSHE and RE

In PSHE we will study:

In RE this term we will learn from words of wisdom taken from different religions including Christianity, Islam and Hinduism and then learn about the Christmas story.

Topics

Geography

We will study a unit of work called 'In the Desert', in which we will learn what a desert is, what is found in deserts, whether people live in or near the desert and how deserts are formed.

History

Using a trip to Chester as inspiration, we will study how and why the Romans invaded Britain and the impact this had on the country.

Art & DT

Linked to the Romans topic children will work together to design, decorate and make Roman shields.

Science

This term we will focus on planning scientific investigations based on energy and sound. Children will learn about different energy types and discuss what energy is by planning and carrying out a series of investigations and experiments.

**Our school library is
open from 3-3.30pm
every day**

