

English

In English this half term, we will be learning the skills required to write a factual report. The children will learn how to recognise and use reporting language; identify and use factual information in their sentences and ensure their sentences are punctuated correctly. They will then use their skills to write a factual report on an endangered animal of their choice.

For our final English topic, we will be debating the topic 'Should all cars be electric?' and writing a persuasive text expressing their views. The children will learn how to recognise and use persuasive language; using effective connectives as sentence openers and write an effective conclusion.

Maths

In maths, we will begin by revising our knowledge of decimals.

During this period of time, we will also be focusing on the final revision and preparation for the Year 4 Multiplication Check, which takes place in the last two weeks of June. Please can you encourage your child to practise their times tables at home.

Towards the end of the term, the children will learn about data handling where they will learn how to interpret graphs, as well as shape and symmetry.

Science

In science, we will be learning about 'Animals Including Humans'. The children will learn about what animals eat and the process of eating. They will learn about different animals and human teeth and their purposes. They will focus on the stomach and investigate why the stomach doesn't eat itself.

Lastly, the children will learn about the purpose of the intestines and bacteria and the effect it has on our body.



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History

In History, the children will be learning all about 'Arabia and Early Islam'. Our unit will teach the children about a city in the desert called Makkah and focus on what it is like to grow in in the desert. They will also learn about Arabian worlds before Muhammad and about the world of clans and tribes. Lastly, we will learn about the 'turning point' in Islam that changed the Muslim world.

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Curriculum Newsletter

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Enrichment: Trent Park Visit

PE: Tuesday afternoons

RE

This term we are studying 'Islam' The children will make connections between religious observance and Ramadan. They will also learn about the teachings of Allah related to the 5 pillars of Islam.

PSHE

The children will be learning about 'Economic Wellbeing'. They will learn how to keep track and look after money and influences on career choices.

French (KS2 only)

We will be learning to recognise and ask for snacks. Finally look at vocabulary to describe someone.

Geography

In Geography, the children will be learning about 'Deserts'. They will be looking at answering the question 'Are deserts always hot?' They will be learning about the Sahara Desert and find out how deserts are formed. They will look at photos and make comparisons. Finally, they will look at what plants and animals live in the desert.

Music

The children will be identifying a well known story (Cinderella) and compose their own music for different scenes. They will then perform their composition with the story.

Design & Technology

In D&T the children will be looking at Electrical Systems: Torches. They will learn about and analyse electrical items and how they work. Finally, they will design a product to fit a set of specific user needs.

Computing

The children will be learning about HTML tags and learn how to change the codes for specific purposes. They will then explore complex components of a web page and learn how to alter them.

Suggested places to visit

The Natural History Museum

Waltham Abbey Wetlands

Suggested books to read

Under Threat: An Album of Endangered Animals

by Martin Jenkins

Lion Down Written by Stuart Gibbs