

Year 4 Update

Dear Year 4 Parents,

We hope you're all doing well and staying safe during these unprecedented times. We have written this update to give you some ideas for home learning for over Easter. We will be updating this on a weekly basis to support the children's learning.

R.E

There is some R.E work booklets on the website on the Coronavirus update page. These are based around the Liturgies of Easter and the Easter stories according Matthew's Gospel. The children can work through these activities during the Easter period and learn more about the events that occurred.

Maths

On the White Rose website (link below) there are daily workshop videos focusing on different topics. They have also linked a worksheet and the answers for the children to work through. These are directly linked to the national curriculum and would be great for the children to work through.

They have put up 2 weeks so far and the children could work through these each day:

Week 2: dividing 2 digits by 10 and using decimal numbers.

Week 3: comparing, ordering and writing decimal numbers.

Also over Easter white rose are also holding a maths party each day. If you go onto the link they will have different activities up each day.

<https://whiterosemaths.com/homelearning/year-4/>

English

In English we were coming up to a topic about autobiographies. During this topic the children will collect information about themselves and their family and write this as their own autobiography. Over the next couple of weeks we thought they could gather some information about themselves and they could start to write this into paragraphs. We have included some suggested sub-titles to support their writing and we have given them a success criteria of what they need to try and do or include throughout their writing.

Please encourage your child to use their dictionary and thesaurus to support them with their writing. Please also encourage them to read through their written work.

As a grammar focus for this work we are asking the children to focus on using the correct tense throughout their work and making sure that they are consistent throughout.

Autobiography titles and steps for success

Paragraph 1:

Introduction- Introduce themselves and their family.

Paragraph 2:

Early childhood- Baptism, nursery/ pre school

Paragraph 3:

Primary school- KS1, greatest achievements or memories of their time in Key stage 1

Paragraph 4:

Primary school- Times in KS2, greatest achievements or memories.

Paragraph 5:

Conclusion- Hopes for the future, what they want to be when they are older etc.

Steps for success

- Written in the past tense
- Conclusion to be written in future tense
- Chronological order
- Indented paragraphs
- Using precise dates and locations
- Use time conjunctions eg/ then, after that, first, next
- Think about emotions for different events.
- Can include a picture.

Science

Over the next couple of weeks we are suggesting that the children could go on a sound walk, please continue following Government guidelines if you choose to go out for a walk, if you would rather stay at home this could also be completed in a garden. The children need to listen for the different sounds that they can hear and then think about whether they are high or low pitched.

As a Summer topic we would normally begin to learn about electricity. As a start to this we are asking that the children look at the appliances that you have at home and think about whether they are mains powered for example, washing machine or battery powered, for example, a mobile phone.

There is also a Great British Bug Hunt being run by the Association for Science Education (see link below) this is asking for the children to go on a bug hunt in their gardens or in an open space and record their findings. There is a winner for this competition.

<http://www.schoolscience.co.uk/bughunt>

As well as this please encourage your child to continue read every day and to practise their times tables as these skills are imperative to all of their learning.

We thank you again for all of your support during these uncertain times and we are looking forward to being back to our normal routines soon.

Wishing you all well, God bless.

Sarah and Shannon.