

Year 4 Autumn Newsletter

English

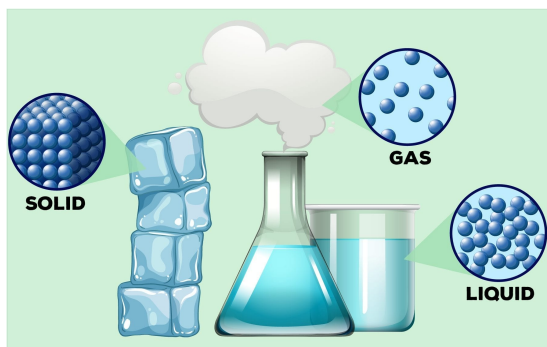
We will be writing a piece inspired by 'Varjak Paw' by SF Said. We will also be practising handwriting and spelling.

Maths

We will be focusing on column addition and subtraction up to 4 digits. Then, we will look at the perimeter and area of shapes. We will also practise our times tables up to 12 x 12.

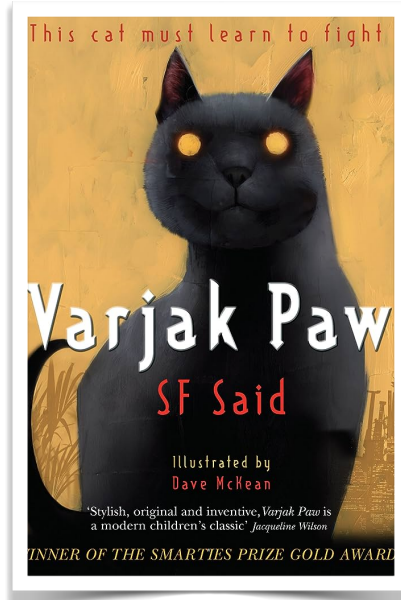
Science

We will be learning about States of Matter this half term.



Free lunches

Please register at the office. This way we will get more funding to support your children.



History: We will continue to learn about Roman Britain and the impact it still has on us today.

PSHE: We will focus on making choices and drugs, alcohol and tobacco education. We are also looking at importance of sleep and managing screen time.

R.E: We will learn about the story of the Nativity.

Trips: We are always planning new, exciting trips for the children. Please keep your eyes peeled for letters.

P.E.

We will be learning basketball skills.

The days we have P.E can sometimes vary so please ensure your child has their P.E. kit on a Monday and takes it home on a Friday.

Reading

Please read at home every day. Your child should bring their book bags with their home reading books and reading journals into school every day.

We will change books once a week.

Homework

Your child will be sent home maths, English and spellings homework on Fridays. Homework is due in on Wednesdays. There will be a times-tables check at the end of Year 4. This covers all tables up to 12x12 so please practise.

Parents Evening

**Tuesday 28th/
Thursday 30th
November**
Parents' evening.



Some Wednesdays

Coffee morning 9.15am. Please come and join us and the Lewisham Mental Health Support Team for a cuppa and a chat!

END OF TERM!!!

**Tuesday 19th
December**
Last day of Autumn term.
School closes at 14.30.

**Monday 8th
January**
First day of Spring term.



Curriculum Plan

Year group: Year Four

Teachers: Mr Bengtsson/Mr Nelson/Mr Phelan/Ms Garcia

Term: Autumn 2 2023

English:

We will be using the text 'Varjak Paw' by SF Said to write texts.

Children will learn to:

- Write in 1st person
- Spell and use the past tense for regular and irregular verbs
- Describe settings using adjectives
- Use time conjunctions to order events

Maths:

Our Maths focus for this half term is Addition and Subtraction, followed by Shape and Multiplication:

- We will be covering the following areas of Maths:
- Using the column method for adding and subtracting 4-digit numbers
 - Calculating the perimeter and area of shapes
 - Practising our times tables up to 12x12

Science:

Our Science topic is States of Matter.

By the end of the unit, students will be able to:

- Compare and group materials together according to whether they are solids, liquids or gases
- Observe that temperature affects state change
- Explain the water cycle

Theme/Curriculum Focus: Roman Britain

History:

We will be continuing with Roman Britain this half term.

- Children will develop an understanding of:
- Archaeological evidence and how it is used to interpret the past
 - Understand the themes of immigration, invasion and settling
 - Understand how the people in Roman Britain lived and how it differs from today

Arts/Creativity:

We will be exploring patterns and look at creating art based on this.

PHSE:

Over the course of this half term we will be focusing on 'Making Choices'

Children will learn:

- About drugs other than medicines that are common in daily life
- About making informed choices
- About the impact drugs can have on us

PE/Games:

Throughout this half term children will be focusing on basketball.

Skills taught will include:

- Ball control
- Passing
- Shooting

Computing:

The focus of this half term will be 'sleep matters' and 'managing screen time'. Students will explore what it means to have a safe and responsible online presence. To achieve this we will be using '**Natterhub**' which is an online platform designed to teach children about online presence and safety. You can find out more about Natterhub on the school website.