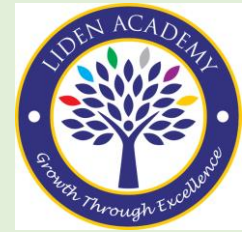




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YEAR 4 – Autumn Term 2 North America

English



This term, Year 4 will be writing a persuasive letter to David Walliams and Jk Rowling using ambitious vocabulary and fronted adverbials to add detail. The best pieces will be sent to them both to see if our persuasive powers can entice the authors to visit our school. We will then be using our adjectives and fronted adverbials to write a narrative based on the Sainsbury's advert 'The Christmas Truce'. We will then be ending the term writing an essay on our Geography topic where we will use conjunctions to explain our understanding. In reading, we will be continuing the 'Land of roar' and exploring our understanding of where our imaginations and fantasy lands can take us.

Maths

In Maths this term we will concentrate on Multiplication and Division. This will focus on learning all the Times Tables to 12, as well as learning to use the inverse calculation to work out division. In addition, children will learn to use arrays to display multiplication and look at what happens when numbers are multiplied by one, zero or themselves.

Science

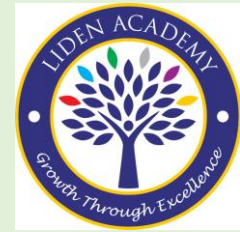
The focus for Science this term is Changing States. Learning is concentrated on solids, liquids and gases, and how particles are arranged in these states and how particles behave when states change as they are heated or cooled. Children will also learn about processes such as evaporation and condensation, melting and freezing, and terms which relate to special liquids and solids such as viscous and malleable.

Geography



This term, Year 4 will be learning about North America. They will look at what countries make up the continent and the types of climates and biomes that are there and why. They will also look at the physical features and how there are many different features depending on their geographical location. We will then be showing off our understanding by writing an essay on all of our learning about North America.

Computing



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In computing, Year 4 are learning about Audio in Media. They are concentrating on recording various sounds, layering sounds and adding effects to the audio. The outcome is to produce an edited piece of bitesize audio with their own voices, music and effects.

Personal, Social and Health Education (PSHE)

This term, Year 4's PSHE is Celebrating Difference. In this unit children understand how we are all different and unique and that we should be accepting of our differences and to include people who are left out. The children will discuss what bullying is and how to stop bullying, how to help others and how to solve friendship differences. Children will learn about being kind and positive to others and that considering the needs of others is important.

DT

This term, Year 4 will be focussing on the structure Pavilions where they will research the reason why they are built and what they represent for the town, city, or country. The children will experiment with making different structures and then eventually design and create their own. Year 4 will then evaluate their structures and learn that a successful one has a reinforced base and is carefully constructed.

Music

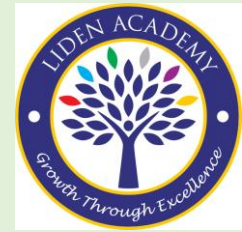
This term our Music will focus on the Blues. The children will learn where the music originated, why it is called the blues and the emotions linked to Blues. We will look at and listen to some famous blues artists such as BB King and Etta James. Children will look at the tempo, beat and melody characteristic of Blues and improvise blues beats using instruments.

Religious Education (R.E.)

This term in Year 4, the children will be focussing on Hinduism and looking at the question 'What do Hindus believe God is like?' The children will be looking at what is Brahman and how that energy is recognised in each other using the phrase Namaste. We will also look at AUM and how Hindus say that at the start of prayers to connect with Brahman.

Physical Education (P.E.)

Year 4 will be focussing this term on Gymnastics. In particular, the focus will be on control of movement, learning different gymnastic forms, holding forms in balance and combining different forms in sequences and routines. Children will use equipment, mats to perform on, benches to walk and balance, wall apparatus to climb and balance.



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Modern Foreign Languages (MFL) – French

In French, the children will learn how to introduce out family in French. The children will be able to say who is older out of any brothers and sisters and able to recognise which phrases are masculine and feminine. They will also learn how to say there is more than one.

Important information

Year 4 P.E. is on a Thursday afternoon. The day will change each term and parents will be told on next term's newsletter and via texts closer to the time. Children should attend school in their P.E. kit on this day.

Homework will be sent home every Friday, there will be spelling and maths homework along with their reading records and library books. The homework must be brought back to school every Friday. Weekly spellings are also set on the website Spelling Shed for the children to access. They all have been given a login but please ask for a replacement if needed. Some children will bring home a phonics or accelerated reader book, please make sure they bring it to school every day.

If you would like to do anything extra at home with your child, reading every day and practising their times tables is the best place to start as at the end of the year there is a big times table test to show off the children's mathematical skills.

Below are some useful websites.

<https://www.topmarks.co.uk/maths-games/hit-the-button>

<https://trockstars.com/>

<https://www.spellingshed.com/en-gb/>

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