

Oakdale Junior School



Autumn Term 2018

This is the Year 4 Autumn Term (2nd half) curriculum leaflet.

Inside you will find helpful information about this half term's curriculum in Year 4.

Class Teachers:

- Mrs Vadgama (Year Leader)
- Mrs Collins
- Mrs Hancock/Mrs Tillett
- Mrs Rosa
- Miss Steel

Support Staff:

- Mrs Athar
- Mrs Lee
- Mrs Martindale
- Mrs Tollerfield

Thank you for all the impressive Home Learning Projects completed last half term! The games were inspired and we are glad that so many of you were able to join us to give them a go.

Thank you to all of you who are listening to your child read regularly during the week and are signing their Home School Diary. It really does make a difference to your child's achievement.

Weekly Homework:

- Mathematics and Mathletics/TT Rockstars -Tuesday
- English - Friday
- Reading (at least three times a week and recorded in Home School Diary)
- Spellings



Curriculum Overview

English

This half term, Year 4 will study a range of fiction and non-fiction texts linked to our historical Traders and Raiders topic, including *Odd and the Frost Giants* by Neil Gaiman. They will use these texts to inspire their writing in a variety of genres, such as recounts, character profiles and information fact files. The children will also continue to develop their vocabulary in writing looking to expand their use of adjectives, adverbs, conjunctions and embedded clauses.

Mathematics

It is essential that children continue to learn their multiplication tables as this has a huge impact on their overall progress in Mathematics. This term children will continue to develop their numeracy skills, including:

- Understanding efficient methods of subtraction, estimating and checking strategies.
- Multiplying by 10, 100 and 1000
- Working with measure - area and perimeter.
- Solving problems in a variety of mathematical areas.

RE



Children will gain a better understanding of Christianity and how Christmas is celebrated.

PSHCE



Through Jigsaw, children will look at 'Celebrating Differences'.

This will involve the children understanding how to recognise the influences that affect them, how to avoid judging others by their appearance, dealing with bullying and appreciating what is unique about themselves.

French



The children will continue to improve their vocabulary and conversational skills. They will focus on introducing themselves, knowing colours, numbers and naming animals.

PE & Games

In PE, Year 4 will be working on gymnastics.

Games:

4EV – multi skills and football

4LR – cricket and netball

4TH – multi skills and tag rugby

4CS – football and cricket

Swimming – 4CB will begin their swimming on Monday 5th November.



Traders and Raiders

This half term, Year 4 are sailing back to the Dark Ages where battles were rife and fear reigned. The children will find out about the life of the Saxons and meet the invading Vikings from Scandinavia!

With an exciting and memorable visit by a Viking, the pupils will discover all about Saxon and Viking clothes, food, weaponry and Gods!

Hook

Our topic will begin with the Roman Empire crumbling and ships sailing across the North Sea to land on Britain's shores. The pupils will make their own boats for these terrifying warriors.



Outcome

Our topic will culminate in a Viking exhibition where the children will celebrate all the work, including their home learning project that has been completed during the project by inviting Year 3 pupils to a story telling session and exhibition.

How you can help at home:

- Encourage your child to read, read, read, read...
- Spend some time researching Saxons and Vikings in England.
- Investigate life as a Viking – what was it really like?
- Find out more about Viking long boats.
- Encourage your child to spend time on their home learning project – details attached.