

Ellwood Community Primary School - Core Subject Overview

Year 4 - Autumn Term 1

English



This term in English, Year 4 will be using the text 'Arthur and the Golden Rope' to inspire the composition of their own creative writing.

Spellings

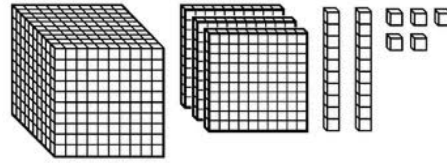
Along with continuing to learn all of the Year 3 and 4 statutory spelling words, Year 4 will focus on the following during their spelling sessions and independent writing this term:

- Words with /aw/ spelt with augh and au
- Adding the prefix in- (meaning 'not' or 'into')
- Adding the prefix im- (before a root word starting with 'm' or 'p')
- Adding the prefix il- (before a root word starting with 'l') and the prefix ir- (before a root word starting with 'r')
- Homophones & near homophones
- Words with /shun/ endings spelt with 'sion' (if root word ends in 'se', 'de' or 'd').

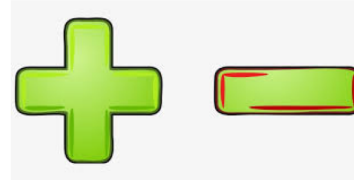
Grammar

- Expanding noun phrases.
- Use of nouns/pronouns to aid cohesion.
- Direct speech punctuation.
- Use of apostrophes for singular and plural possession.
- Writing fronted adverbials including correct punctuation.

Maths



This term we will be learning about Place Value. The children will explore representing, partitioning, ordering and rounding numbers up to 10,000.



Our next focus will be upon Addition and Subtraction of up to 4-digit numbers, including exchanging. We will learn efficient strategies to solve, estimate and check answers.



Alongside our Maths lessons, we will be focusing on learning and becoming fluent in our times tables. Initially we will focus on our 3,4, 6 and 8 multiplication facts, before moving onto other times tables.

Science

This term Year 4 will be learning about 'States of Matter'. The children will learn and explore about the differences between solids, liquids and gases; classifying objects and identifying their properties.

The children will work scientifically and collaboratively to plan and carry out investigations. They will explore in-depth how water changes state, exploring melting, freezing, condensing as well as a particular focus on evaporation. Finally, they will learn about the stages of the water cycle and what happens at each part.



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Music

This term the children will be focusing on music from South and West Africa. They will explore various pieces of African music by appraising, singing and using percussion instruments to build towards a performance of a traditional African piece of music.



Life Skills

The children will be taking part in the One Act of Kindness (OAKs) challenge. They will explore what kindness means and some different ways to show kindness. The children will decide on their own way to spread some kindness in the local community. Alongside this, we will be exploring the '5 Ways to Wellbeing' steps to develop our positive, growth mindset.

Computing

This term we are focusing on Online Safety. The children will learn how to keep themselves safe in the digital world. They will explore aspects such as recognising the reliability of information found on the Internet, communicating safely Online and how to maintain a positive online health and wellbeing.



Design & Technology

In Design and Technology, we will be exploring the topic 'What Could be Healthier?' with a project to produce a healthy Bolognese sauce. The children will investigate the origins of the food we eat, learn about nutritional values and explore healthy alternatives; alongside developing cooking skills while following recipes and maintaining high standards of food hygiene.

RE

In RE this term, the children will be exploring the question 'What do different people believe about God?' They will explore the views of various different religions including Christianity, Islam and Judaism.



History

This term the children will be learning about World War I through the question 'Why did World War 1 happen?'. They will explore factors that led to the start and end of the war, key events during the war and explore elements such as what life was like for people during the period.

PE

This term, we will have PE on Wednesday's where the children will initially develop their Football skills; before focusing on Dance after half term. The children will be attending Gymnastics sessions on Thursday for the following dates: 12.9.24, 19.9.24 and 26.9.24.



Languages

In this term, the children will be learning how to describe appearances in French. They will learn basic vocabulary to describe features, before developing their skills in understanding, reading and writing descriptive sentences.

