

Literacy

In Literacy, we will explore the words 'comedy' and 'tragedy' in the context of 'The True Story of the Three Little Pigs'. The children will have the opportunity to explore the different perspectives of each story character and discover that sometimes things aren't quite what they seem! They will analyse the text to gain an understanding of the structure and literary devices, which will enable them to invent their own story. Children will complete the unit by developing their knowledge of journalistic writing to create a newspaper report.



PSHE

This half term, the children will explore how we can work together to keep ourselves safe. We will explore how we can work collaboratively towards shared goals and develop strategies to resolve disputes and conflict through negotiation and appropriate compromise. We will look at ways to resolve differences by looking at alternatives, seeing and respecting others' points of view. Children will have the opportunity to reflect on their friendships and come to recognise that most friendships have ups and downs, and that these can often be worked through so that the friendship is repaired or even strengthened.

Maths

In Maths, we will be exploring division. Children will learn to interpret a division story when there is a remainder and represent it with an equation. They will learn key mathematical vocabulary associated with division and use their knowledge of division equations and remainders to solve problems. We will then move on to exploring fractions, where the children will learn to develop their understanding of what a fraction is. They will compare and order fractions and position different fractions on a number line. Finally, they will learn about mixed numbers and improper fractions to solve a series of fraction related tasks.

Values Generosity

Music

Lean On Me

The children will be learning to sing the song by Bill Withers. During the lessons they will listen to and appraise a variety of related tunes linked to the genre of Soul and Gospel. There will be opportunities to improve their playing of chime bars and finish with a polished performance.

Geography

Through this unit, children will explore how and why their local environment is changing. They will continue to develop their understanding of change and the interaction of people with their environments by investigating the school, the school grounds and the immediate local area.

Children will build an understanding of changes that occur in environments as a consequence of natural events over which people have little or no control, and changes that people choose to make as a means of improving the quality of life.

Year 4 Spring 2



Comedy and Tragedy

MFL

This half term, children will be learning to recall a selection of nouns for common classroom objects. They will learn how to describe what they have in their pencil case and respond to simple classroom demands.

DT



This half term, the children will have the chance to develop their sewing skills. They will be learning how to join textiles using appropriate stitching techniques such as running stitch to create a purse. They will need to select the most appropriate techniques to decorate their final product and demonstrate an understanding of, and the importance of, a hem and how to create a fastening.

Computing

Coding unit continued

Children will continue to develop their programming skills using Swift Playgrounds. They will use logical reasoning to detect bugs and will develop their understanding of using loops within their code. They will have the opportunity to decompose programs into smaller parts and begin to pick apart how a program works.

Science

Children will be investigating sound this half term. They will explore how sound is made via vibrations and recognise how it travels through a medium to the ear. They will explore patterns between pitch and volume and the strength of the vibrations that produced it. The children will have opportunities to carry out a number of investigations linked to sound such as altering the pitch or volume of objects and measuring sounds over different distances.

RE

Children will learn that Christians believe that Jesus is God's son and that he came back to life and that this is celebrated on Easter Day. They will consider the connection between Jesus' life and time in the wilderness and Lent. They will also explore how Shrove Tuesday links to Lent for Christians and explore the customs Christians follow during the time of Lent.

PE

The children will have the opportunity to develop their skipping techniques in PE this half term. They will explore different skipping styles and focus on increasing their fitness. For their second session of PE across the week, the children will continue to be taught by the Newcastle Coaches to support them with their team games.