



Windmill Hill Primary School

Curriculum Update - Class Yr3 & 4 Mrs Drinkwater / Mr Ross

English	<p>We will be reading some traditional tales and plays.</p> <p>We will be looking at stretching our sentences with expanded noun phrases. We will be studying how to use inverted commas for direct speech and also how apostrophes are used. Also we will be learning how to use fronted adverbials and adverbials of time.</p> <p>We are going to do some newspaper reports and persuasive writing linked to our topic.</p> <p>Reading comprehensions will be used to help develop our understanding of different text types as well as our reading aloud skills. Weekly spellings are going to be tested every Friday morning to help improve our spelling skills.</p>
Maths	<p>We will be using our maths skills to help solve real life problems.</p> <p>We will be learning how to do column maths -addition, subtraction and multiplication. Also we will look at fractions and how to find common denominators. We will start to use decimals when counting and measuring accurately. We will tell the time in minutes on digital and analogue clocks. We will count in roman numerals I-XII and use them to solve simple sums. We will continue to learn and apply our times tables.</p>
Science	<p><u>Forces and magnets</u> We will look at: different forces & how they affect our daily lives; how things move on different surfaces; how magnets attract and repel materials. We will ask questions & predict outcomes.</p> <p><u>Electricity</u> We will construct simple electrical circuits with different components, recognise some common conductors and insulators. We will ask questions and predict outcomes.</p>
Topic	<p>Our topic is linked to our geography topic which involves looking at the features and characteristics of the North and South Poles, comparing these to Runcorn and investigating global warming.</p>
Computing	<p>We will continue to look closely at the issue of e-safety and how to avoid dangers. We will build on the skills we acquired at Sandymoor School using Kodu and look at programming Daisy the Dino.</p>
PE	<p>The children will do outdoor invasion games focussing on dribbling, hitting and kicking. Also they will have problems to solve and their own games to invent. Miss Kirsty is doing dance and gymnastics.</p>
French	<p>Every Wednesday Mme Lila will be continuing to develop the children's ever increasing vocabulary and familiarising them with French customs and traditions.</p>
PSHCE	<p>In circle time this term we will be looking at 'going for goals', 'making promises' and 'being responsible'.</p>
Music / Performing Arts	<p>The children will receive monthly percussion lessons from Gareth. Mrs Price is taking the class for singing every Monday.</p> <p>The success of our weekly whole school singing practice can be heard each Friday morning in our celebration assembly.</p>