



Windmill Hill Primary School

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

English	This term, we will be reading some of Roald Dahl's books and using these as the basis for our writing. We will be looking at building more complex sentences with accurate punctuation and a variety of conjunctions. We will be studying how to use different verbs, adjectives, nouns, adverbs and pronouns in our written work. Reading comprehension lessons will be used to help to 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 to improve our spelling skills.
Maths	We will be focussing on securing our knowledge of number bonds and place value. We will be rounding numbers; ordering and comparing beyond 1,000. Hopefully, we will then apply these skills to help to solve addition and subtraction problems. Alongside this, we will study multiplication tables and play various games to help cement our thorough understanding and quick recall of the times tables we cover.
Science	Animals, including humans: We will be looking at human skeletons, the digestive system and teeth and their functions. We will also learn about herbivores, carnivores and omnivores. The children will construct and interpret more complex food chains. Sound: We will identify how sounds are made through vibrations and how pitch and volume can be changed. We will also investigate good insulators of sound and attempt to make our own earmuffs and our own instruments.
Topic	Our topic is linked to our history project which is looking at the evolution of man over time from the earliest evidence of life on earth through to the 'Stone Age' and on to the 'Iron Age'.
Computing	We will be looking closely at the issue of e-safety - how we can be safe when using a computer and what to do if we come across any dangers. We will use 'Hector's World' to help us with this. Also, we will be doing computer programming using Kodable and Daisy the Dino.
PE	Colin will take the children for outdoor invasion games focusing on dribbling, hitting and kicking. Also, they will have problems to solve and their own games to invent.
French	Every Wednesday, Mme Lila will be continuing to develop the children's ever increasing vocabulary and familiarising them with French customs and traditions.
PSHCE	In 'Circle Time', this term, we will be looking at new beginnings - friendships and change.
Music / Performing Arts	The children will receive monthly percussion lessons from Gareth Evans. Mrs Price is taking the class for singing lessons every Monday. The success of our weekly, whole-school singing practice can be heard each Friday morning in our celebration assembly. This Christmas, we are doing a whole-school performance for parents to come and enjoy.