

Year 3/4: Autumn 2

Writing

In writing this half term, we are going to be using the book **the true story of the 3 little pigs** to base our writing on. We will be writing a traditional tale with a twist about Little Red Riding Hood from the Wolf's perspective. We will focus on using a range of cohesive devices like adverbials, complex sentences and speech, to improve our sentences. In addition to this, we will also write a Christmas letter ready for the festive period!



Science

This half term, children will be focusing on the function and the importance of the digestive system. They will investigate how teeth play a part in digestion and why clean teeth are so vital. Children will do this through planning and carrying out an investigation into tooth decay and concluding how this can affect our digestive function and healthy lifestyle.



Maths

In Year 3 and 4, following on from addition, we will be learning all about subtraction, multiplication and division. Children are to gain a concrete understanding of regrouping through subtraction and the values of different multiples. We will then be moving onto formal written methods for the operations. We will be exploring through the use of concrete resources, moving onto pictorial representations and then learning formal written methods.

Children will also continue to learn, practise and test their times table knowledge this term. They will recap their knowledge of the 3s, 4s and 8 times tables, and learn the 6s, 7s and 9s times tables.

To improve fluency, we will be having 15 minute fluency lessons 2 times a week. Additionally, we will continue working through the 99 club. Children will practise their club level in school but can also use TTRockstars to support them.

PSHE

In PSHE this half term, we will be focusing on how to stay safe as the nights get darker. We will be speaking and learning about road safety and how to **'be bright and be seen'**. We will also be taking part in activities to support ourselves and each other in anti-bullying week.

Children's mental health will be supported through self-esteem activities and through MyHappyMind sessions where children will learn all about their emotions and how to regulate and manage them.

Geography

This term in Geography, we will be learning all about Europe! We will start our learning off by finding out all about where we live and the local area. We will broaden our knowledge by learning about Europe and the countries within it.

Finally, we will be focussing on identifying and comparing some of the largest rivers and mountain ranges in Europe.

Computing

In Computing, we will be using the programming application 'scratch'. We will learn to control an animation using repetitive commands and eventually we will program our own story and game!

PE

In PE this term children will be learning the key elements that are involved in dance. We will be exploring different types of dance styles including cultural dance. Our end goal will be to create a performance showcasing the different learnt skills.