Newby and Scalby Primary School Year 4 Newsletter Term 3+4

Dear Parents,

Firstly, welcome back to all the children and families and a happy new year. I hope you have all had a good Christmas break and are ready and raring to go this year! Below is a little summary of what we are aiming to achieve by the end of Term 3 and Term 4.

CURRICULUM OVERVIEW

In Term 3, we will be going back to the ancient Egyptian era.

In Art, we will be focusing on the artist Albrecht Durer, looking at how lines can create textures when drawing a simple object.

In Science, we will be working scientifically to identify how sound is made, how sound travels, decibels, labelling a diagram of the ear and exploring pitch. We will also be learning about electricity. We will build and draw circuits and learn about conductors and insulators." We also plan to make a model within our D+T lessons which will incorporate an electrical circuit as well as using different techniques for fixing various materials.



In History, we will be learning about the Ancient Egyptians. We will be locating the origins of ancient civilisation, understanding the importance of the river Nile, asking and answering questions relating to Ancient Egypt, learning about Egyptians religious beliefs, understanding the discovery of Tutankhamun's tomb and learn about everyday life as an Egyptian.

ENGLISH:

In Term 3, we will be reading Mayhem Mission by Burhana Islam. We will be writing legends, and playscripts linked to the Ancient Egyptians. This will link in with our Year 4 play which will be presented in Term 4. We are very excited about this and look forward to seeing the enthusiasm from the children and sharing it with you.



SPELLING:

An overview of the term's spellings, including the rules and patterns, will be presented in weekly homework sheets so you can see what the children will be working on in our spelling sessions within school. A weekly spelling task will be given out on a Thursday, designed to practice and reinforce the spellings we are learning in class. Please support your child by helping prepare them for the test on Thursdays, using the spelling lists provided.

Year 3 and 4 Statutory Spellings

accident	caught	eighth	heard	minute	possible	strange
accidentally	centre	enough	heart	natural	potatoes	strength
actual	century	exercise	height	naughty	pressure	suppose
actually	certain	experience	history	notice	probably	surprise
address	circle	experiment	imagine	occasion	promise	therefore
answer	complete	extreme	increase	occasionally	purpose	t hough
appear	consider	famous	important	often	quarter	although
arrive	continue	favourite	interest	opposite	question	thought
believe	decide	February	island	ordinary	recent	through
bicycle	describe	forward	knowledge	particular	regular	various
breath	different	forwards	learn	peculiar	reign	weight
breathe	difficult	fruit	length	perhaps	remember	woman
build	disappear	grammar	library	popular	sentence	women
busy	early	group	material	position	separate	
business	earth	guard	medicine	possess	special	
calendar	eight	guide	mention	possession	straight	
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MATHS:

We hope to encourage the children to gain a strong and secure knowledge of multiplication and division, length and perimeter, fractions and decimals.

We will use the concrete, pictorial, abstract method, a highly effective approach to teaching that develops a deep and sustainable understanding of maths in pupils.

This follows the White Rose teaching approach and scheme.



RE:

This term we will be focusing on Why festivals are important, focusing on Pesach, Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur.

PSHE:

In Term 3, we will be focusing on becoming active citizens, acknowledging that others have different points of view both on and offline. We will be learning how to describe and use British values. We will also, be focusing on working in our teams, across school, to develop the vision and values within our teams of Dream, Respect, Excellence, Aspiration, Motivation and Success. In term 4 we will be focusing on Me and my relationships understanding how our bodies will grow and change as we grow older, learning about what a marriage/civil partnership is, thinking about different kinds of families and exploring what a healthy friendship is.

PE:

This term, we will start with gymnastics in term 3, and hockey in term 4. Our PE days are as follows:

Class 9: Tuesday and Wednesday

Class 10: Tuesday and Thursday

Please remember children should come to school in PE kit and earrings must be removed to participate.

Other information:

Year 4 will be performing our annual play during term 4, more information will follow out on the parent app.