

Year 4 Curriculum Overview

Autumn term 2020

Class 4B, 4J and 4P



This information tells you what your child will be learning this term in school. We really value your support and the help that you can give your child with their learning.

These are some of the things you can do:

Take them to the library

Find information from the internet on the topics they are studying

Help your child with their home learning <https://www.colindale.barnet.sch.uk/learning/home-learning/>

Help your child to learn spellings and times tables

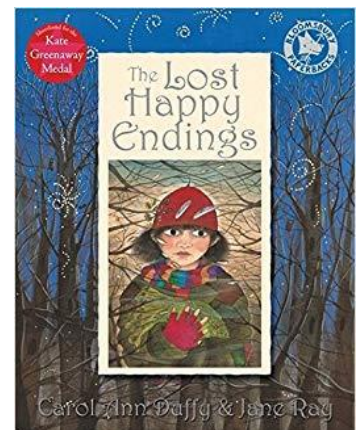
Read with your child everyday

Help them to make sure they have everything they need in school on the right day

The curriculum

Our focus this term in English:

- 'The Lost Happy Ending'- descriptive fantasy story to use as a model for writing their own story.
- Newspapers and Magazines – Creating a news article about a Roman event.
- Creating their own fantasy/adventure stories for their class animations.
- Plays – Reading, writing and performing play scripts.



In Maths we will be revising what we have learned in Year 3 and learning to:

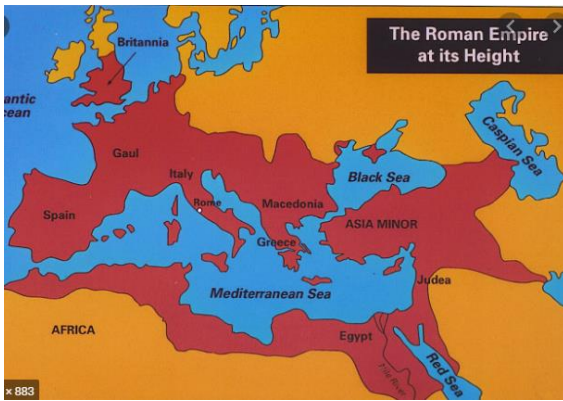
- Add and subtract numbers with up to 4 digits, using the formal written methods of column addition and subtraction where appropriate.
 - Estimate and use inverse operations to check answers to a calculation. **E.g.**
 $22+34=56$ so $56-34=22$
 - Solve addition and subtraction two step problems in contexts, deciding which operations and methods to use and why.



The 1st topic in the Autumn term is the Romans:

- In **History** we will be learning about the Roman Empire and its impact on Britain, contrasting Ancient Roman times with present day and looking at the power of the Roman army and Boudicca's rebellion.
- In **Geography** we will be drawing maps to locate the beginnings of the Roman Empire in Italy and comparing the different geographical features with the UK.





- In **Science** we will be learning about how sound is made and received by the ear.
- In **Art** we will be developing our collage skills with a range of collage techniques such as tearing, overlapping and layering, to create images and represent textures.
- In **RE**, we will be learning about inspirational people in Christianity, Islam and Buddhism.

- In **PSHE** we will be learning about mental health and well-being; internet safety and harms; what are healthy friendships - including friendships online.
- In **Spanish** we will be learning numbers to 30 and body parts.
- In **computing** we will be how to login and access different remote learning websites and resources for home learning.
- Throughout the term in **PE** we will be working on our athletic and core strength to reintroduce ourselves to basic fitness and PE skills.

The 2nd topic in the Autumn term is Lights, Camera, Action!

- In **Science** we will be learning about electricity and how to make an electrical circuit to light a bulb, using a switch.
- In **Art/DT** we will be creating a 3D scene using plasticine, cardboard, paper and other media, including electricity



- In **Computing** we will have a visiting animation specialist using 'I stop Motion' programming with voice recordings to re-enact children's stories. Completed work will be published on You Tube.
- In **Music** we will be learning to make music inspired by computing and technology, exploring and composing sounds for ringtones, apps and computer games. Music appreciation - The children will explore music from different genres and will be encouraged to discuss style, mood/character, instrumentation, and special features, as well as exploring the musical language.



- In **PSHE** we will be learning about how the media, including social media affects decisions, how to keep passwords safe etc.
- In **Spanish** we will be learning numbers from 31-100, dates and Christmas vocabulary.
- In **RE** we will be learning about how people worship in Christianity, Islam and Buddhism



- Throughout the term in **PE** we will be working on our athletic and core strength to reintroduce ourselves to basic fitness and PE skills.

Other information



Swimming:

- Thursday: 4J and 4B
- Friday: 4P

PE:

- Thursday: 4J, 4B and 4P

Please send your child's PE and swimming kits in on a Monday and they will be sent home once they are finished with.

Class Assemblies will not be happening at the moment, based on our risk assessment and guidance from the government.

Trips & visitors:

We will have a professional animator coming to in run workshops with the children and help them make their own class animation in the 'lights camera action' topic near the end of the term.

We are looking forward to having a productive and enjoyable year with you and your child.

If you have any queries please do not hesitate to contact a member of the Year Four team.

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