

This is what your child will be learning in school. As always, we welcome your support and encourage you to talk and explore some of these with your child at home.

Spanish

¡Hola! This term we will continue to look at greetings as well as exploring Spanish traditions at Christmas.

Year 4 – Term 2



English



This term in English we are reading: **Operation Gadgetman** by Malorie Blackman.

Our writing is linked to this book - we will be writing a mystery narrative and our own riddles! Spelling, Grammar and Punctuation is taught daily and will focus on expanded noun phrases, tenses and different sentence types.

DT

Pupils will be developing skills in food technology. **Can your child help to prepare a meal at home? Could they remake some of the food from their DT lessons?**

Maths

This term in maths, we are focusing on area, multiplication and division skills and exploring how they link to our everyday life.

Ask your child what they score in their weekly times table test. Support them with questions on their weekly times table every day! We hope all pupils will be scoring 50+ by the summer. Please encourage your child to access TTRockstar – a great programme to reinforce learning.

RE

Why do people pray? We will be learning about why and how different people pray including Christians, Muslims and Hindus. **Ask your child about the Wudu routine (Muslim prayer) and what items are used in Puja (Hindu prayer).**

Science

We are learning about different electrical appliances, how to make circuits, learning about insulators and conductors as well as renewable energy sources.

Look for solar panels and wind turbines in the local area. Discuss how to stay safe using electrical items in the home.

Operation Gadgetman

History

We are continuing with our study of crime and punishment, re-capping on what we already know and comparing how they were similar and different.

What do you already know about modern crime and punishment?

Art

With a focus on pencil techniques, we will sketch scenes from Operation Gadgetman. **Have a go at home! Use similar techniques to sketch scenes.**

Computing

Pupils will learn about the history of animation with the aim to create our own. **Discuss with your children what is animation and where do we see it?**

PSHE

Healthy Eating (Lifestyles) Pupils will understand how to make healthy choices, focussing on food choices. **What does a healthy meal look like? What is the Eatwell Guide?**

Music

Pupils will compose and perform their own melodic line using glockenspiels. **Start practising Christmas carols so you can come and join us for our family carol concert!**

Geography

Pupils will be learning about maps and atlases: how to use them, what the symbols mean and how they come in useful in life.

Could you practise using a map at home or in a shopping centre?

PE

In PE, pupils will be developing ball skills, fitness and swimming skills. **Children should bring their PE kit on Tuesday, and swimming kits on a Thursday.**

Homework:

Reading - all pupils are expected to read 4 times a week and ensure it is recorded in planners.
English & Maths – all students are expected to complete this in their homework books and hand in every Monday.
Spellings- 10 words per week (Friday test)