

Park Junior School - Year 4 Curriculum - Autumn - Term 1: Once Upon a Time (Topic Theme)

Welcome to Year 4!

This document will provide you with all of the important information you need to know for the forthcoming half term.

If you have any questions, please do come and have a chat at home time - we are all looking forward to meeting you all!

With best wishes,

The Year 4 Team

<p>Year 4 staff: Miss Kelly (Kingfishers) Miss Pedley (Woodpeckers) Mrs. Cairns Mrs. Whiteside Miss Neale Mrs. Smalley</p>	<p>P.E. days: Wednesday (indoor P.E.) Friday (outdoor P.E.)</p>
<p>Educational visits: Redwood Education Centre: Tuesday 12th October Slimbridge Wetlands Centre Monday 8th November</p>	<p>Other key dates: Parents Evening Tuesday 9th & Wednesday 10th November 2021</p>



Please turn over for all curriculum information for this term.

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English 	Maths 	Science 			
<p>Linking to our history topic of the Ancient Greeks, our English will be based around 'Who let the Gods Out? By Maz Evans' and 'Ancient Greek Myths'. We will be writing recounts, myths and legends and developing narrative skills. There will also be a big focus on the children's grammar and punctuation knowledge.</p> <p><i>What can we do at home?</i> Feel free to read 'Who let the Gods out?' along with us at home (but try to not skip ahead...).</p>	<p>In maths this term, Year 4 will be particularly focused on place value into the thousands column. We will be partitioning large numbers and representing them in different ways.</p> <p><i>What can we do at home?</i> Challenge your child by asking them about numbers into the thousands. Ask them what each digit represents and see if they can explain the number in numerals and words.</p>	<p>We will be focusing on 'Animals including humans (digestive system, teeth and food chains). This is an interesting and disgusting topic that the children will LOVE exploring! We will be conducting lots of experiments including:</p> <p>Scavenger hunts for food chains</p> <p>An egg shell experiment to see what happens to our teeth if we drink too much sugary pop</p> <p><i>What can we do at home?</i> Encourage your child to eat healthily and discuss the major organs in the body and their jobs in keeping us healthy. See if your child can research the different organs and teeth in different animals.</p>			
History/ Geography		Creative Arts		Wider curriculum	
<p>Our history topic this term is Ancient Greece. The children will learn the importance of society and democracy within the Greek culture.</p> <p><i>What can we do at home?</i> Why not try one of the brilliant non-fiction books available about this period of time? Research aspects of Ancient Greek culture that interests your child. Why not cook a Greek meal for the family to enjoy?</p>	<p>In Art we will be exploring print making, pattern and using different mediums to create Greek sculpture.</p> <p><i>What can we do at home?</i> As the term progresses, ask your child to show you different Greek patterns.</p>	<p>Religious Education Christianity - We will be learning about the trinity and why is it important to Christians. In French we will be learning to recite the months of the year and to write when our birthdays are,</p> <p><i>What can we do at home?</i> There is nothing more powerful for a child's learning than talking to people with direct experience of a topic. If you, your family or friends are Christian, encourage conversations with your child which will expand their understanding of the subject. For French, allow them to practice with you daily.</p>			