

Other Subjects

This term we will be learning about 'North America.' During this topic we will be looking at the physical geography of this area, its climate and the location of the countries.

Throughout this topic we will be focussing on developing our geographical skills, map reading and researching information.

ART

We will develop our **Art and design** skills, looking at famous

artists, mainly Lowry.

DESIGN and TECHNOLOGY

Our topic is making Junk models which links to our English topic on Instructional Writing and to our Global Dimension work on recycling.

Science

In **Science**, we will be learning about **Sound**. This will link to our **Music sessions** and as a **Summer homework**, we will ask the pupils to make their own musical instruments to use in these lessons. This will be part of the producing and performing side of the **Music curriculum**.

We will also be looking at animals and humans focussing on the **digestive system**. We will also look at **mini-beasts** during forest school sessions.

If you have any questions please do not hesitate to ask us!

Other Information!

HOMEWORK

Homework plays an essential role in consolidating the knowledge and understanding your child gains from daily lessons. Try to provide an appropriate space away from distractions of the T.V. or younger children. Please also encourage and support your child to complete homework tasks on time and to a high standard.

In preparation to the children moving into year 5, they will receive one piece of Maths every two weeks and a piece of English every two weeks, which will be alternate. We will also send home a topic project over the term.

P.E

Due to the improvement in the weather, P.E may take place on additional days alongside the normal Monday session for all of year 4. Please make sure your child brings their kit into school each week, ready for the lessons.

Forest School

This half term children will be involved in Forest School sessions which will take place on Tuesday afternoons for 4F and Thursday afternoons for 4W. Please ensure your child brings a suitable change of clothes on these days and appropriate footwear for working outdoors.

NETHERBROOK
PRIMARY SCHOOL



Year 4 Summer Term

Mrs. Fellows and Mrs. Woodward



Information for parents

www.netherbrook.dudley.sch.uk

Introduction

In the children's final term of year 4, we will be encouraging them to continue to make good progress in order for them to be as best prepared for year 5 and the Year 5 curriculum as possible.

We appreciate your continued support.

Mrs. Fellows and Mrs. Woodward

Literacy

This term in Literacy, we will be completing work on instructional writing. We will make junk models to help with this. Also, the children will be using their imagination to produce a set of instruction for a 'Revolt Recipe'

We will also be doing work based around a novel this term, which will involve the children predicting, showing empathy for a character and producing a diary.

We will study playscripts in order to be able to write and perform our own work, helping to improve our speaking and listening skills to an audience.

Within poetry we will look at cultural and classic poetry, comparing features and expressing our views.

Please read with your child regularly at home. Even if they are able readers, they need to be discussing the structural features and how they effect the reader.

Please help us by recording when you hear your child read in their planners with a comment on how they

Maths

Mental Maths

As the expectation is that children will know all times tables and related facts, as well as basic maths facts by the end of year 4, we will continue this term to focus on improving our overall mental maths skills. We will be working on developing our understanding of calculation so that we are able to quickly recall our times tables, number bonds to 100 and inverse operations.

In addition to learning strategies for addition, subtraction, multiplication and division, we will also be looking at geometry, co-ordinates, data handling and money.

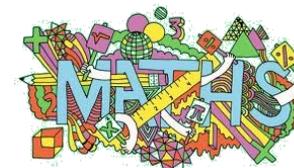
Written Strategies

The children will continue to learn a range of different written strategies including the formal written methods, so that they can find strategies that they find easiest to use.

You can help at home by:

*supporting with homework and encouraging the children to teach you the strategies that they are learning.

*Using the following website: www.nrich.org



I loved debating with my class.

I couldn't believe we had flying frogs in World book week. It was great.

I enjoyed learning about the Hindu faith when we visited the Hindu temple.

Thanks to the firemen coming, I now know how to stay safe in my home.