



Visiting The Village

Cotswold Class

Year 4 Summer Term 2023



English

We will work on spelling rules and strategies and continue to learn the words stipulated in the National Curriculum spelling lists for Year 3&4.

All children will be involved in a daily shared/guided reading sessions as well as reading as a class every day. Our class text will be 'The Boy Who Grew Dragons' and 'Varjak Paw' by S. F. Said.

During English lessons, we will be focusing on the picture book 'The Journey' by Aaron Becker. The children will use this text to create their own fantasy story. They will then use the text 'The Iron Man' by Ted Hughes to create character descriptions and write newspaper reports.

From the research they have completed in Science lessons, we will use the book 'Street Beneath my Feet' by Charlotte Guillain to create an explanation text.

Maths

Maths Year 4 will cover the following topics:

Statistics: Interpret charts, comparison, sum and difference, introducing line graphs.

Fractions and decimals: Recognise common families of equivalent fractions, count up and down in hundredths and tenths, add and subtract fractions with the same denominator, solve problems involving increasingly harder fractions. Make a whole, write decimals, compare and order decimals.

Properties of shape: Identify angles, compare and order angles. Position and direction: Draw and move on a grid, describe a movement on a grid and write co-ordinates.

PSHE

Our values this term are **Wisdom** and **Honesty**. We will begin the term with the topic 'Being My Best'. Children will then move onto the topic 'Growing and Changing'.

As geographers, children will take an enquiry led approach and timeline the history of Minster Lovell from its founding and early settlement to the village as it is today. The children will use a range of sources of evidence including field visits around the village to investigate clues from the past. They will find out about the United Kingdom and be able to name the cities and counties of the UK. They will explore how land is used within the UK and in Minster Lovell.

As musicians, in the first half term, we will be learning about musical ostinatos and drones to accompany raps and songs. In the second part of the term, we will be looking at Fantasy film music and begin looking at a range of composers and be transported into the world of theatre, film and TV.

Science

Rocks

- Compare and group together different kinds of rocks on the basis of their appearance and simple physical properties
- Describe in simple terms how fossils are formed when things that have lived are trapped within rock
- Recognise that soils are made from rocks and organic matter

Plants

- know how to identify and describe the functions of different parts of flowering plants: roots, stem/trunk, leaves and flowers
- know how to explore the requirements of plants for life and growth (air, light, water, nutrients from soil, and room to grow) and how they vary from plant to plant
- know how to investigate the way in which water is transported within plants
- know how to explore the part that flowers play in the life cycle of flowering plants, including pollination, seed formation and seed dispersal

Art and DT: In **D&T**, we will be designing, making and evaluating our own Lego tree houses.

As artists, we will be developing our drawing and sketching skills by using a variety of techniques to add effects such as tone, shadows and shades to make drawings more 3-D and realistic and then we will create our own Iron Man figures.

RE

Our key questions this term are;
- Should believers give things up?
- Did Jesus really do miracles?

PE

This term, Cotswold class will be learning Tennis and field games. Our PE days are Tuesday and Friday. We will also be taking part in Sports & Health Week.

Computing

Learners will create programs by planning, modifying, and testing commands to create shapes and patterns.

Spanish

This term we will be learning 'All About School' and will then move on to the topic 'Tell Me When' where we learn how to say the days of the week, months and dates and how to count.