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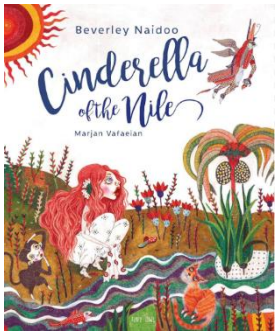
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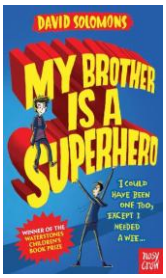
Year 4: Autumn 2

Dear Parents/ Carers,
Please find below an overview of the topics we will be covering this half term in Year 4.



English:
This term we will be starting our new sequence of learning which is inspired by Cinderella of the Nile written by Beverley Naidoo.
The children will be building up to writing their own traditional fairytale whilst creating setting descriptions and writing informal recount letters from the perspective of another. Additionally, there will be a grammar focus this half term focusing on some key Year 4 grammar skills.

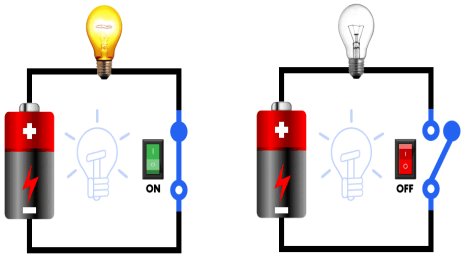
Reading:
This term, during whole class reading, Year 4 will be studying a range of extracts from scripts, poems and picture books. They will identify the structures and features of different text types and will discuss the vocabulary used to catch the reader's interest and imagination.
This year, we have a focus on **'Reading for Pleasure'** and our recommended read for this half term is 'My Brother is a Super Hero' by David Solomons.





Maths:
Children will start the term with a short unit on measurement where they will explore area. Following this, the children will be developing their multiplication and division skills even further with a focus on the 3, 6, 9, 7, 11 and 12 times tables and using written methods to solve these. Year 4 will solve problems related to the maths skills they are learning and have the opportunity to reason using mathematical language.

Science:
The children continue to learn about 'Electricity: circuits' this term. In this unit of learning children will investigate making circuits and extend their understanding of circuits, conductors and insulators and the need for a complete circuit in order for a device to work. Children will be introduced to ways in which they can vary the current in a circuit.



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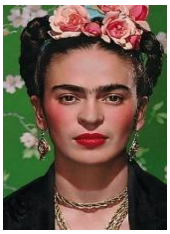
History:
Children will be learning about the Ancient Egypt. We will learn about what life was like in Ancient Egypt and the significance of the River Nile for Egyptians. We will then study the architecture of Egypt and explore Egyptian writing.

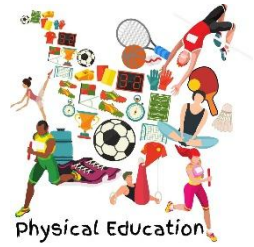




PSHE:
We will be tackling the topic 'Celebrating Difference' in PSHE, thinking about how we look and the physical differences that we all have. We will have discussions on different cultures, backgrounds and will be celebrating our differences in these areas. The children will continue to complete work around bullying and how to tackle incidents that happen in school.

Art:
We will be finishing our final portraits that have been inspired by the work of Frida Kahlo. We will finish the background (including themes that are important to each child) and then paint them. We will also be doing art work inspired by our Ancient Egypt topic and craft projects in preparation for Christmas.





PE:
Year 4 will begin the year with Hockey and Rugby. The children will develop movement and ball handling skills. They will learn simple attacking tactics as part of a small team and organize themselves to defend their goal.
This term, Year 4's PE day will be **Thursday**. The children should come to school in their PE kits on this day.
Swimming also continues on a Monday morning. The children must have the correct swimming kit on this day.

RE:
Children will be linking their history learning with RE as we explore Beliefs in Ancient Egyptian times. We will look at the Ancient Egyptian creation story as well as their gods and different celebrations they had.



Computing:
Year 4 will be looking at the topic 'Programming 1: Further coding with Scratch'. They will build on previous learning involving coding and the Scratch program.

French
This term, Year 4's French unit is entitled 'Clothes - getting dressed in France'. The children will be learning the names of clothes, their colour and adjectives to describe them.

We will also be preparing for our Christmas Concert. Song booklets will be given out to help the children learn the songs we will be singing.

Our recommended website of the term is:
https://www.thereaderteacher.com/



Yours Sincerely,
Mrs Wood