

CURRICULUM NEWSLETTER – YEAR 4 – SPRING 1



This term in History we are learning about Delapre Abbey. Children will locate Delapre, Blackthorn and Northampton on a map, identifying key features including the River Nene. We will learn about important people who have lived and used Delapre Abbey. Children will have the opportunity to explore Delapre Abbey and the grounds. In Science we will be learning about Electricity and testing electrical circuits.

Our RE lessons will focus on Hinduism and in Computing we begin our programming unit looking at how to repeat patterns using code.

Maths:

This term Year 4 will be continuing their learning of multiplication and division. It is important that the children can recall their times tables facts up to 12 X 12 and know the corresponding division fact. We will progress onto a formal written method of multiplication and division. This will later link to fractions and decimals. We will compare and order fractions and learn the value of the digits in numbers with 2 decimal places.

English:

In English, we will be studying the William Shakespeare play 'The Merchant of Venice'. It will involve lots of drama as the children explore the characters. We will be reading a story version of the play and studying the plot before writing setting descriptions, character profiles and Newspaper Reports.

In Year 4, children will be developing their use of fronted adverbials, conjunctions, commas and expanded noun phrases.

Ways to help at home:

- Please listen to your child read each day. Every child has already been issued with a home a reading book.
- Support your child with learning their times tables up to their 12s. We have a Government times tables test at the end of Year 4
- Support with homework.

Other information:

- PE will take place on a Wednesday with Mr. Gordon, PE kit needs to be in school on this day.
- Homework Club is on Thursday and homework is given out on this day. Homework needs to be in by Wednesday the following week.
- ThinkTank trip is on Wednesday 28th February. Full payment is due via your ParentPay account by Friday 16th February.