Year 4 - Spring 2





'The Courtyard of a House in Delft' Pieter de Hooch 1658

English:

In English, we will be using the Take One Picture painting to learn how to write a critique using technical language and with an analytical perspective. We will also be continuing to improve on our writing skills when writing a story about the picture.

Our grammar focus will be use of conjunctions, expanded noun phrases, fronted adverbials, commas and inverted commas.

Wider Curriculum:

This term, all Year 4 NPAT children are engaging in an exciting learning project with The National Gallery. Take One Picture is a countrywide project for primary schools which aims to inspire a lifelong love of art and learning by promoting the role of visual arts within education. We will be using a painting, which depicts a courtyard scene, to deepen our skills in writing and art. We will be learning and practising some new and old skills in art, including focussing on form, and use these to create a final piece which we will display later in the year.

- In RE this term, we will be learning about the Christian festival of Easter and The Holy week.
- In Science, we are investigating sound. We will learn how sound is made and how the ear works. We will be using words such as 'pitch', 'volume' and 'vibrations'.
- In Computing, we will learn about data collection using technology to record and present the data.

Maths:

This term, Year 4 will be continuing their learning of fractions. We will be looking at adding, subtracting, simplifying and converting fractions over a number of weeks. It is important that the children can recall their times tables facts up to 12 x 12 and know the corresponding division fact.

Towards the end of this term, we will then transfer our knowledge of number and calculation through to graphs.

Ways to help at home:

- Listen to your child read each day. Every child takes home a reading book as well as a library book.
- Visit the local library at Weston Favell.
- Help your child to learn the times tables up to their 12's. If they know them, start looking at division too.
- Please ensure your child is logging into Mangahigh regularly.

Other information:

- PE will take place on a Wednesday this term.
- Homework is set weekly on a Thursday and due in the following Wednesday afternoon.
- Children will be performing in a class assembly on Wednesday 27th March.