



St Luke's C of E Primary School – Topic Overview – Summer 1

Year 4 – Counties

Enquiry Questions

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National Curriculum

As geographers, we are learning about the different counties of England and building on our knowledge of the Viking Kingdoms. We will also be learning about longitude, latitude and grid references. We will be developing our map reading skills and knowledge of the 8 points of the compass.

As artists, we will be studying the painting technique of pointillism created by George Seurat. We will learn about the artist and explore his work. We will have fun recreating his work using his technique. Finally, we will draw life sketches to develop into our own pointillism painting.

As scientists, we are investigating the different states of matter. We will understand how a material can change between states of matter through cooling or heating. We will also be learning about the water cycle and understanding the terms evaporate, condensation and precipitation.

Within our RE lessons, we will be learning about Islam and studying the theme of prayer within the religion.

We are very excited that every Tuesday after Easter, we will be swimming!

Three States of Matter



Key Vocabulary:

Solid liquid gas water cycle

Pointillism counties longitude latitude

Compass points: North, South, East, West

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English - Reading

This term, we will be studying 2 books *The Tunnel* and *Voices in the Park* both written by Anthony Brown.



Whilst studying these stories, we will be developing our skills of inference, predication and answering questions about the text.

English - Writing

In writing, we will be completing lots of mini journeys showcasing the skills we have learnt this year. These journeys will include story writing and letters.

Children in year 4 should be able to show the following skills when writing:

- Fronted adverbials,
- Punctuate direct speech,
- Use commas to separate clauses
- Use expanded noun phrases to describe
- Choose vocabulary to enhance meaning
- Use different sentence types accurately and for effect

All writing should be neat and letters correctly formed. All sentences should be correctly punctuated and spelt.

Maths



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The children will be continuing to learn about decimals using partitioning, rounding, comparing and ordering. This will involve the children utilizing their fraction knowledge to understand the relationship between fractions and decimals. We will continue to use our tenths and hundredths knowledge in this unit. We will then move on to Money. Any practical experience you can give your child of counting money, converting pounds/pence, working out amounts of money and change will really benefit their understanding.

Timestables are very important, not only will secure timestable knowledge support the children's ability to work out fractions and decimals they will also be taking a timestable test in June.

Please ensure they log on to TTRS regularly to practice.

Key Vocabulary

Decimals, tenths, hundredths,

Money, change, pounds, pence, converting, estimating

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