

BRADWELL VILLAGE SCHOOL

YEAR 4 SUBJECT OVERVIEW FOR THE SPRING TERM 2025

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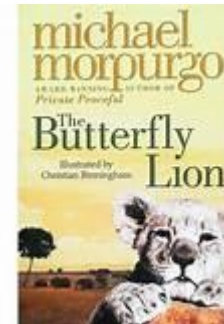
The first term has flown by, and we are now welcoming in the Spring Term and a new year! We will be practising our sewing skills in DT so if you could practise threading a needle and tying a knot over the Christmas break that would be fantastic!



Subject Overviews

English

To begin the term, we are retelling a story, recapping descriptions and looking deeper into how to construct noun phrases to describe in detail before moving onto playscripts and the acting that goes alongside these! We will be reading 'The Butterfly Lion' by Michael Morpurgo in Guided Reading as well as using some of the characters and settings in Writing.



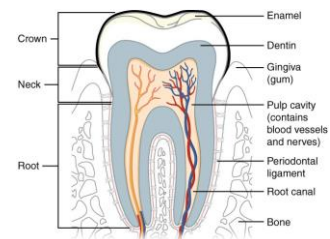
Mathematics

We have spent a while developing the children's confidence with the methods of addition, subtraction, division and multiplication so now we will look at how well they apply these to different areas of Maths. We will revisit their arithmetic skills daily to keep these fresh. We urge the practise of times tables at home; this is crucial to the children's progress and to prepare for the multiplication test later in the year.



Science

During this term, we explore the study of animals and living things including the digestive system and teeth!



Computing

The children have had time to revisit the basics of computing and have spent time learning how to stay safe on the internet and the importance of data handling. This term will encourage the children to return to their coding.

Games/PE

Fitness will be a key focus in PE and Games this term as the children explore ways of getting fit and keeping fit. They will be focusing on Dance in PE and the features of different styles.



Music

This term, the children will be learning how to play the glockenspiel and use their skills to compose a piece of music. They will also be writing and performing their own rap about bullying.

French

After learning about weather, travel and sports, French in the Spring Term moves on to description and words about animals and then all about life in school, including the names of the subjects.

RE/PSHE

RE this term introduces the children to Hinduism and they discuss it in comparison to what they have learnt about Christianity. For PSHE, the children learn about being happy within themselves and with their friends.



Foundation subjects:

History will explore different ways of exploring the past and the role of primary and secondary sources. The children will examine portraits and try to understand the lives of people within them.

In **Geography** the children will have a chance to work with atlases, globes, and maps to locate cities in the UK. They will then research the importance of these cities to the country.

During **Art** the children explore a range of colours, tools, and materials to create artwork they can talk about, and they can share with others. They will look at a range of famous artwork and try to recreate a piece.

In **Design and Technology**, the children will be creating a photo frame using a range of textiles and sewing techniques.

Homework

We try to set homework which appeals to all children within the year group with a variety of academic and creative work so all children can get excited about it.

Although homework is optional, we give out spelling practice sheets on a Friday.

We also urge daily practise of TT rockstars - with extra focus on the 'soundcheck' section to prepare them for their multiplication test later in the year.



Year 4 Teaching Staff

Mrs Brodie-Shaw (Class Teacher), Mrs Slaven (HLTA) and Mrs Bardsley (Teaching Assistant)