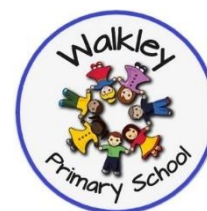


Walkley Primary School

Curriculum Newsletter

Year 4
Spring 2 2023



'Enjoyment, Achievement and Learning for life...'

Key Information and Dates

For Foxes class our PE days are Tuesday and Thursday.

For Charlies class our PE days are Monday and Thursday.

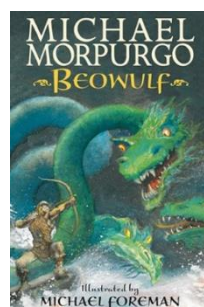
On Mondays, Charlies please remember to bring your swimming kits.

Forest school is the week beginning 20th February.



English

In English, we are studying the wonderful book, "Beowulf" by Michael Morpurgo. We have looked at the setting, which is in set in Anglo-Saxon Denmark and the author. This term we will write a poem (kennings) and a newspaper article about the beast, Beowulf.



Science

In Science, we will be learning all about electricity. The children will be learning about electrical appliances as well as investigating simple circuits. The children will create their own simple circuits with: cells, wires, bulbs, switches and buzzers.

Maths

In maths this term, we will be exploring the perimeter of different polygons. We will also learn about fractions such as comparing fractions plus adding and subtracting them. Finally, we will begin to learn about decimal numbers.

Geography

In Geography, we will be studying mountains. We will learn about the 4 main types of mountains found in the world, locate the world's best-known ranges and learn what contours are on a variety of maps.

Computing

In Computing, we will investigate how data is shared online? We will understand how computers are connected to the internet and look at how a website shares its data. Finally, we will collect data and share the information online.

Religious Education

In RE this term, we will be looking at the faith of Christianity. Our key enquiry question is, "Is forgiveness always possible for Christians?" We will explore the story of Easter.

We will discuss and investigate "where do you feel like you belong" as well as "how do we make the world fair". Additionally, the children will look at the importance of personal information.

Citizenship

Design and technology

In DT this term we will design, make and evaluate an electrical system using simple switches and circuits.

Handmade switches



In Spanish this half term we will be learning the alphabet, how to say the weather, telling the time and presenting these in a short role play.

Spanish

Music

On Mondays, Foxes will begin their drumming sessions with Sheffield Music Hub. The Charlies will learn about the song, "Lean on Me" by Bill Withers. The class will learn how to perform the song vocally and learn and improvise how to play the glockenspiel to this gospel soul classic.

Home Learning

Home learning will be set on a Friday to be completed by the following Wednesday.

Children will be given a sequence of 6 activities to complete one each week to consolidate and extend the learning within the geography and history unit.

Children will have weekly spellings set to learn on Spelling Shed which follow the spelling pattern that will have been taught in school. These will be tested in school on Friday.

Children will also be set a google quiz as their maths homework – children can access this using their Google Classroom account.

We also ask that children read regularly at home – please complete the home school reading record when your child reads at home.



PE

In PE, the Charlies will begin their swimming lessons while the Foxes will get to grips with handball. Both classes will also learn street dance.