



SUMMER



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Maths

This term, our Maths will focus on enhancing and building the children's mathematical skills through fractions and decimals before moving on to time and money. In Summer 2, we will move on to look at shape, statistics and position and direction.

We will continue to develop multiplication recall fluency ahead of the upcoming multiplication test in June.



English

During this term, we will be reading *The Borrowers*. We will be writing an instructional text on how to capture a Borrower, focusing on developing our use of conjunctions and imperative language. We will also write and take part in a balanced discussion.

Later in the term, we will write our own haikus, which is a fun way for the children to explore poetry.

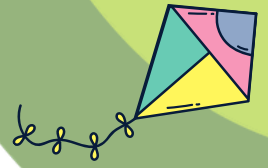
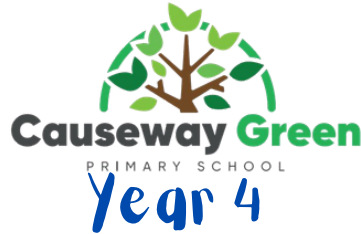


Science

In Science this term, we are focusing on electricity. We will look at circuits and name the different parts of a circuit. We will look at some common conductors and insulators and how this can impact the flow of electricity.



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PE

In Summer 1, the children will continue with their weekly swimming lessons at SWIM, where they will continue to develop their confidence in the water using a range of strokes and learning valuable self-rescue techniques. In PE, the children will be preparing for our upcoming Sports Day through their athletics unit. Summer 2 sees the children finish the year with tennis and cricket.

Swimming - Monday PM

PE - Tuesday PM



RE

This term, we will be looking at the impact of pentecost for Christians, as well as considering how festivals and family life show what matters the most to Jewish people.

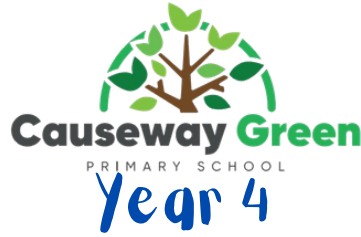


PSHE & RSE

During the Summer term, the children will take part in the Jigsaw units 'Relationships' and 'Changing Me'. Further information will be shared closer to the time.



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History

Our history topic this term is the Black Country! Through this exciting topic, we will explore how our local area has changed over periods of time and recognise the impact of the industrial revolution. This will also be explored in our exciting visit to the Black Country Living Museum.



Geography

Within Geography, we will look at the journey of a river and will be creating river models to understand the different courses that a river has - the upper course, middle course and lower course.



Computing

In our Computation Thinking unit, the children will learn that problems can be solved more easily using computational thinking. This will be done through the use of decomposition, abstraction, algorithm design and pattern recognition. Finally, the children will become weather reporters and use video editing and a green screen to record their very own weather reports.



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Art

In Art, children will be looking at the work of William Morris, MC Esher and Anni Ahlbers. We will be exploring repeating geometric patterns to produce a final collage.

Music

In music, the children will continue to work with Mr Hawkins and they will explore major and minor pentatonic scales. They will use a range of instruments to explore layers of sound including ostinatos (a repeated pattern).



Design & Technology

In DT, children will research, design and create their own moving monsters using mechanisms such as levers and linkages!



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Additional Information



What can you do at home to help?

Homework - Please help your child complete their weekly Pobble task or Maths.co.uk activity and Family Maths Activities.

Practise weekly spellings, Year 2 Common Exception Words and handwriting (focussing on correct formation and size).

Ensure your child is reading at least 3 times a week and record this in their reading records. To help them further you could ask them questions about what they are reading.

Stunning Start - History code breaker
Fantastic Finish - Making Moving Monsters
Outdoor Learning Workshop - Painting with natural resources (parents invited TBC)

