



<p style="text-align: center;">English </p> <p>In English this term, we will be using the text 'How to Train your Dragon' by Cressida Cowell as a stimulus for writing and comprehension. We will produce a range of writing including character descriptions, persuasion and also produce a whole new chapter for the book. We will use the text 'Jotun - Journey of a Viking' and from this, we will develop our skills at writing setting descriptions. We will also delve into Charles Dickens' Oliver Twist, in particular the dinner table scene and write a newspaper article about the scene. We will continue to strengthen our spelling, grammar and punctuation with lessons dedicated to these subjects.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Science </p> <p>In Science lessons we will continue with our topic 'Animals including Humans'. We will look at how to stay healthy and avoid tooth decay; learn about digestion and the digestive system; food chains and animal teeth. We will also study States of Matter. We will learn about the differences between solids, liquids and gases, classifying objects and identifying their properties. We will investigate the weight of a gas.</p> <div style="border: 2px solid black; padding: 5px; text-align: center;"> <p>Year 4 Spring Term 2023 Curriculum Newsletter</p> <p><i>If you have any queries about your child's work, please contact me through</i> enquiry@stnicholassutton.org.uk</p> </div>	<p style="text-align: center;">Maths</p> <p>In Maths, we will look more deeply into methods of multiplication and division, seeing what happens to the digits when we divide or multiply by 10 or 100. We will find areas of simple shapes and also carry out calculations using different measures. We will then move on to fractions and decimals. This will involve finding equivalent fractions and counting on hundredths. We will find fractions of numbers and add and subtract fractions with the same denominator. We will discover how to write the decimal equivalent of any tenth or hundredth and we will solve problems involving decimals to two decimal places (including money).</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">Computing</p> <p>Our topic in Computing this term is all about the internet. We will be exploring a range of questions including: What is the internet made of? How do we share information? What is a website? Who owns the web? Can I believe what I read? We will also use our computing time to practise our keyboard skills.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Religious Education</p> <p>In RE this term, we will begin by looking in more detail at the Christmas story and the roles of the angels. Our next unit will be all about the Old Testament from Moses to King David. We will find out about Moses and God's relationship with the people of Israel and the life of King David. In our unit on Lent the children will explore some of the customs and practices associated with the celebration of the Season of Lent. They will learn about prayer, fasting and almsgiving and forgiveness. We will finish the term studying Holy Week developing their knowledge and understanding of the story of Christ's passion and death.</p>	<p>PE 🏃 Our outdoor unit will be led by Aspire Sports this term. The pupils will learn about different components of fitness: speed, stamina, strength, coordination, balance and agility. In our outdoor unit on football the pupils will develop the skills of defending, attacking, sending, receiving and dribbling a ball. It is really important that pupils have their P.E. kit in school ready for lessons.</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">Art</p> <p>In art this term, we will look at the works of Magdalene Odundo, Barbara Hepworth, Sokari Douglas and El Anatsui. We will be exploring the way different materials can be shaped and joined and create our own sculptures. The children will be developing skills in colour mixing, focussing on using tints and shades and experimenting with composition and applying painting techniques to a still life piece.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Music 🎵</p> <p>We will continue to have guitar lessons from Mr Noble on Friday afternoons. We will look at using notation, learn new patterns and begin to develop improvisation skills. Remember to practise!</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">History / Geography</p> <p>We will begin this half term looking at the Tudors. We will find out about Henry VIII, Tudor schools, entertainment and clothes. We will also look at Tudor inventions and explorers and look at religion in Tudor times. In Geography, we will look at water. This will include the water cycle, condensation and evaporation and ways to conserve water and find out about the issues of clean water being available worldwide.</p>