

Other Events

This half term there will be an Indoor Athletics Festival involving some of the children. The children will also go to Bedford on the Faith Tour.

Take Home Task

A home task will be set during the term – details will be given later in the term.

Homework

Reading: Please continue to support your child with their reading at home, even if they are a free-reader.

Spellings: The children will continue to bring home a set of spellings each week in their homework book, which we ask you to support your child to learn. These will be tested on a Friday morning.

Grammar: the children will bring home grammar or reading homework weekly in their homework book. We ask that you support them in the completion of this.

HOMEWORK BOOKS SHOULD BE BROUGHT INTO SCHOOL ON A THURSDAY.

Maths: Children will be given Maths Homework on a Friday, to be handed in by Thursday of the following week. This will usually be related to the Maths covered in class that week, or it will be a basic skills related task.

Useful Information

Book changes: Children in Year 4 may change their book when they have finished it. Please ensure that you sign your child's reading record (if applicable) and make a comment.

Library book changes: Kestrels: - Monday
Condors - Wednesday

PE:

Games: Kestrels – Tuesday
Condors - Tuesday
Indoor P.E. Condors – Friday
Kestrels - Wednesday

Year 4 Spring Term 1st Half



Food Glorious Food

Literacy

We will be reading Charlie and the Chocolate Factory by Roald Dahl as a class,

Science

In Chemistry we will be focusing on Changing States of Matter. The children

R.E

Children will be looking at how, where

Computing

Children will develop their programming skills using Scratch. They will create games.

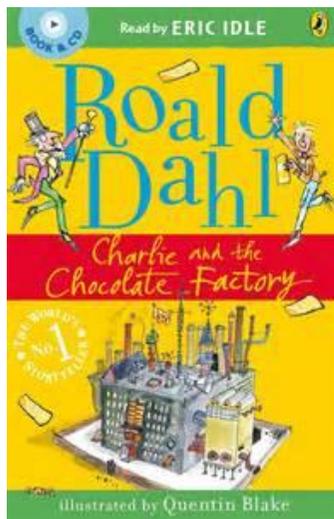
Art and Design

The children will study the work of the illustrator Quentin Blake, looking at the

and using the text to write descriptions of settings and characters. The children will write their own fantasy story through writing a new chapter for the book.

Our grammar will focus on:

- Conjunctions of time and place.
- Plural and possessive 's'.
- Speech punctuation.



Maths

We will develop knowledge and understanding of number and place value, written addition and subtraction, multiplication and division, and shape, measures, position and direction and statistics.

will learn about solids, liquids and gases and will explore how materials can be changed through melting, heating and freezing.

Geography

Children will learn to name and locate the world's countries, using maps to focus on North and South America, concentrating on environmental regions, key physical and human characteristics, countries and major cities.

They will study geographical similarities and differences through the study of human and physical geography of a region of the UK and a region within South America.



and why people worship. As part of their studies there will be a trip to the Bedford Faith Tour when the children will have the opportunity to go inside a C of E Church, a Gurdwara and a Mosque to gain first-hand experience of what these buildings are like and how they are used in worship.

PE

Games; Team Games

The children will explore and develop large ball skills, and use these in a variety of team games.

Dance:

The children will take part in fitness dance routines and will develop their own routines to music.



PSHE

Children will think about different risk-taking activities and consider both the positive and negative outcomes of taking risks. They will develop the skills to weigh up the choices involved, and the reasons for and against taking risks.

The children will explore this through discussion of different everyday situations.

techniques he uses carefully. They will produce their own illustrations in the style of Quentin Blake using water colours and ink.

Design Technology

Children will be involved in two Food Technology projects. They will make a cous-cous salad. Linking in with our science and literacy they will plan, design and create their own chocolate sweets.

Music

This half-term we commence Sing Up. The children will begin to learn a variety of songs with an animateur from Bedfordshire Inspiring Music. This will continue and culminate in a concert which you will be able to attend later in the year.



French

To learn about pets, animals and families.

The children will learn this through interactive oral work, games and songs.

