



Cherry Class – Year 4

Autumn term 2025

English

The focus in English this term is to cover the Spelling, Punctuation and Grammar required for Year 4. We will focus on this daily for the first 6 weeks of term. Once we have completed this we will learn how to write descriptively using the setting and eruption of Vesuvius in Pompeii. In the second half of the Autumn term we will be writing a mystery story following the narrative style seen in *The Thieves of Ostia* by Caroline Lawrence. For the latter part of Autumn we will turn our focus to Poetry and write Haikus taking inspiration and ideas from *Guyko* by Bob Raczka.

History

This term the children will be exploring the impact the Romans had on Britain. As part of the unit, the class will visit Chedworth Roman Villa to find out about the architecture, engineering and lifestyle brought by the Romans. We will learn about the Roman Gods, style of government, the army and the affect the Romans had on British society.

Music

We will be listening to and appraising the song *Mamma Mia* by Abba! We will learn the vocals of the song and then practice parts of the music with recorders and glockenspiels.

Art

The children will be exploring the skill of drawing through the work of the American artist, John Singer Sargent. They will study his techniques and utilise them in their own work to create a piece of work based on one of his famous paintings.

PE

During our other PE session in Autumn Term 1, the children will be participating in forest school sessions on a Tuesday afternoon. Please make sure that your child has appropriate waterproof clothing.

Our second PE session will be on a Friday afternoon. After half term we will have a second PE session on a Wednesday. Please ensure your child has a PE kit in school at all times Your child should have trainers, a t-shirt, shorts, joggers/leggings and a hoodie for the colder weather.

Maths

This term the children will be learning about how to represent, order, round and compare numbers up to 10,000. They will then be adding and subtracting numbers with four digits using formal methods and exploring ways to check and estimate our answers. Following this, we will find out how to calculate the area of shapes during a short unit. In the latter Autumn term, we start our focus on multiplication and division using our times tables.

French

This term the children will learn how to talk about their Family and Friends. We will learn the words to introduce our families, items in the home and our pets.

Science

This term, the children will be exploring two science units: Electricity and Living things and their habitats. For the first term, the children will learn all about the components of a circuit and test out the conductivity of certain materials. During the second unit, the class will be investigating the features of certain animals and classifying them accordingly. We will make the most of our school grounds to make the investigations practical.

Computing

Each term will start with a session on Online safety. The children will learn about computing systems and networks this term. This includes contributing to a collaborative document, using different styles, images and transitions. In the second half of the term we will learn how to export and use data in a spreadsheet and format this information.

RE

Firstly, we will be focusing on Christianity and finding out about what The Trinity is and why it is important to Christians. After half term, we will start to learn about Hinduism, focusing on the beliefs and qualities of different Gods

D&T

This term the children will designing and making a slingshot car and then will be creating a free-standing pavilion structure using various materials.

Vision theme

This terms vision theme is 'Love God' which will be explored through the values of love, thankfulness, respect and reverence.

PSHE

The children will take part in fortnightly sessions focused on the theme of 'Valuing difference' and 'Being my best.