



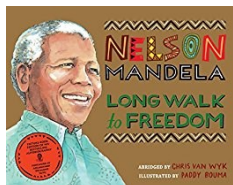
Curriculum News

Spring 2 - Year 4

English:

In English, we will be reading biographies and autobiographies including Long Walk To Freedom by Nelson Mandela. We will be identifying the features of these genres and will write our own autobiography.

After that we will write newspaper reports about Rosa Parks when she refused to give up her seat on a bus.



Maths:

In maths, we will be learning about fractions and decimals; including investigating fraction and decimal equivalents of $\frac{1}{4}$, $\frac{1}{2}$ and $\frac{3}{4}$ and investigating how to divide one and two digit numbers by 10 and 100.

We will also be using fractions and decimals when adding and subtracting. After that we will apply our learning in the contexts of money and measure to solve problems.

Reading:

In guided reading, we will extend our knowledge of biographies and autobiographies by reading texts about Nelson Mandela, Rosa Parks and Martin Luther King. We will use our reciprocal reading skills: Predicting, Clarifying, Questioning and Summarising.

We will continue to read First News to

In **Topic**, we will be learning about Islam. This will include learning about where the religion began, the key beliefs of Islam and the religion's special places.

In **Science** we will be learning about the human digestive system. We will identify the parts of the digestive system and will learn their functions. We will make a model of the digestive system and finally we will write an adventure story about someone who is shrunk and swallowed!

In **PSHE**, the theme will be "It's Good to be Me." We will learn about what we are good at, expressing ourselves assertively, and why we sometimes run away when we feel threatened.

In **P.E.** we are learning about striking and fielding, with a particular focus on rounders. We will continue to go to Swiss Cottage Leisure Centre for swimming lessons. All children have already made a lot of progress in their confidence and their swimming ability.

In **Computing** we are learning how to search the web safely using key words. We will also be using photo manipulation techniques to design an alien landscape.

Dates For Your Diary

Monday 26th February – Friday 2nd March
– Reading Week

Thursday 1st March – World Book Day

Monday 12th March – Friday 16th March –
Science Week

Wednesday 21st March—4M Class
Assembly

Tuesday 27th March—INTO University
Workshop for Year 4

Wednesday 28th March—4J Class
Assembly

Home Learning:

At home your child needs to read for 20 minutes every day. When they have finished, they need to write a short summary in their reading record.

In addition to this, your child needs to practise their times tables and spellings at least 3 times a week.

Further ideas to support your child's home learning include: visiting one of the many free museums in London, cooking a healthy recipe with your child, going to the local library, enjoying arts and crafts together or going on a nature walk.