

# LIONEL WALDEN PRIMARY SCHOOL



## LINK-UP SUMMER TERM 2021

Year 4 - Mrs McBeath  
and Mrs Wilson

# English

This term, we will be reading books by David Walliams and the children will develop their own humorous writing style. We will be looking at different poems and the children will learn and perform a poem of their choice off by heart. The children will look at various stories from Africa to broaden their understanding of literature from other cultures. Additionally, the children will continue to develop their persuasive writing by looking at influential people such as Rosa Parks. We will also continue to focus on key elements of grammar, such as correct verb tenses, and also using a variety of punctuation. The children will be supported in improving their handwriting and written presentation.

# Mathematics

In Mathematics, we will begin by completing our work on decimals and will then move onto Time. Children need to be able to tell the time using both analogue and digital clocks so please provide additional support by practising with them at home. Later in the term, the children will learn about position and direction using coordinates on a grid. The children will find out about different types of quadrilaterals and triangles. They will look at their properties such as the lengths of their sides, whether they are parallel and the types of angles between the sides. The children will look at a range of charts, including pictograms, bar charts and line graphs and learn how to interpret the information presented. We will continue to build on the children's arithmetical skills through our daily fluency work which focuses on the basic operations of addition, subtraction, multiply and divide.

## General Information

Our PE sessions will be on Thursday afternoons when children should continue to come to school wearing their PE kit suitable for being outdoors. Please ensure that long hair is tied back and that no jewellery is worn.

Our times tables will continue to take place each Monday morning and spellings will be tested on Tuesday mornings. Please try to support children by practising these for five minutes daily, as short repetitive sessions will help children to retain these more easily.

Please try to hear your child read aloud at least three to four times a week and ask varied questions to help develop their comprehension skills and deepen their vocabulary knowledge.

Homework will be given out on a Thursday and should be submitted via Teams or My Maths by the following Tuesday. The homework will consolidate the learning that has taken place during the week.

Please do come and see us if you have any questions or concerns.

Best wishes

Jackie McBeath and Ruth Wilson

## Our Curriculum

In History, we will continue to learn about Royal Rulers, including some of the rulers from William the Conqueror onwards. We will learn about some of the influences on monarchs at the time, including the church, and we will also find out about the British Empire.

In Geography, we will continue our work on rivers, particularly looking at the history of the Fenland water systems and consider the effects that these changes had on people's lifestyles and the physical geography of this area.

In Art, children will be looking at sketching using different tones and techniques, such as shading, stippling and cross-hatching. We will be sketching and painting some of the local wild-life found in the Fens, in addition to continuing with our Impressionists work using water colours.

In Science, we will start with our topic on electricity. The children find out about some of the uses of electricity and the sources of it. They will learn about the dangers of electricity and will make posters to advise others about how to stay safe around electricity or when using electrical devices. In our topic about Living Things and their habitats, the children will learn how to use simple keys to classify different plants and animals based on their properties.