



Chandos Curriculum Overview Year 4 Summer 1

This term we are learning...

English

This term in English, the children will be studying *The Spiderwick Chronicles* and building up to writing their own version of the stories ending. *The Spiderwick Chronicles* is a fantasy book.

We will start each off by reading and looking at a variety of example texts and unpicking the features of the genre.

The children will then be producing their own pieces of writing, specifically:

- ★ Writing a character description
- ★ Creating a fantasy world map

The full book and links to work will be posted in the class Google Classroom.



The children will also be reading a wide variety of books during our Guided Reading sessions, which they will be able to read with you at home through their Abacus account and Google Classroom.

Mathematics

This term in Maths the children will be applying their knowledge of the four operations, using reasoning to work out more complex problems. We will be using all these methods to help us.

- ★ Place value - Th, H, T, O
- ★ Addition - expanded column method
- ★ Division- chunking and bus stop method
- ★ Fractions and decimals- multiplying and dividing



We will post examples of these methods on the class Google

Classroom so that you can help your child with this at home.

By the end of year four, every child must know their times table up to 12x12. This is an important skill that will help your child access many different areas of maths.

Because of this, we will be doing a timed times table test every week to build up your child's speed and knowledge of times tables!

Learning Challenge

At the start of every learning challenge, we ask the children what they already know about the topic and for questions that they would like to answer.

This term our big question is

Where in the World are we?

This learning challenge is a local history based topic. The children will be looking at Highgate and Birmingham and how it has changed. They will be answering questions around:

- ★ Where does the water in the River Rea come from?
- ★ What did Highgate look like?
- ★ How can we find out what Birmingham was like?



The children will be walking around Highgate and comparing historic photographs with what it looks like now. We will be studying the water cycle and where the River Rea comes from and where it goes.

What can you do at home?

Every week the children will be given three things to do at home.

- ★ Home Loan Book - this is a book your child has chosen to read.
- ★ Times Table Test - this is the level your child has reached and will be tested on the following week.
- ★ Spelling Bee List - this is the spellings your child will be tested on the following week.

It is important that you child completes these three things every week as they will help with their learning! Please try and find a good time of day to do the homework where there is no rush or television on. Ask your child what they need to do - it will have been explained to them! Let your child take the lead, only take control if they need your support with something. And finally, make sure you give them lots of praise!!



Thanks for your support!

Mrs Howarth and Miss Cockell