

Writing

Fiction – A story based on Seven Ghosts by Chris Priestly.

Non-Fiction - Persuasive writing of a holiday brochure.

Maths

Money In maths we will be learning about pounds and pence, We will be ordering, estimating, adding, subtracting and solving problems involving money.

Time – We will be looking at time in hours, minutes, seconds, years, months, weeks and days. WE will be telling the time to the minute using am/pm and analogue/digital.

Statistic - finally we will be interpreting graphs and tables

History

In history, we are going to be learning all about the Vikings. Why did the Vikings invade Britain? Who were the Norse Gods? Was Alfred right to make a deal with the Vikings? Did King Cnut really try to stop the tide coming in?

RE

Concept: Community
Focus: Neighbour

Reading

The Day I Fell into a Fairytale by Ben Miller

Hidden in the strange new supermarket in town, Lana discovers a portal to a fairytale world! But these aren't the happy-ever-after fairytales that Lana knows, they are darker and more dangerous, and the characters need Lana's help to defeat an evil witch. But she can't do it alone.

We will also study a selection of parallel texts to support our reading.

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Science

Adaptation

Children will be able to recognise that living things can be grouped in a variety of ways. Environments can change and this can sometimes pose dangers to living things. Children will identify how animals and plants are adapted to suit their environment in different ways. We will also be developing our ways of working scientifically.

PSHE

Relationships – We will explore different ways to show love for special people and animals. Also, we will look at how it might feel to miss a special person or animal.

Music

glockenspiels with Portsmouth Music Service

Art

Skill Sculpture

Outline We will be researching, sketching, designing, making and evaluating our own clay sculptures inspired by Barbara Hepworth.

PE

Class PE – Cricket

PPA PE - Fundamental Movement Skills including agility and static balance.

French

Quel temps fait-il ? (What Is the Weather?)

We will be learning to describe the weather and present a weather forecast.

Things to explore with your child!

PE:

Our PE days are alternate Tuesdays and every Friday.

Weekly Homework:

We are going to continue with teams. Assignments will be posted on a Thursday and reviewed the following Thursday

A little note from us...

Welcome back to our Year 4 Families! We hope you had a restful and safe holiday break.

As we move through this half term, please speak with your child's class teacher if you have any questions or worries. Our year 4 email is the best way to contact us. Alternatively, please call the office and we will try our best to call you as soon as possible or speak to us at the end of school on the playground.

year4@meonjuniorschool.org.uk

Visit Reminder

10th May -Hobgoblin Theatre Performance and Viking workshop
Thank you, from Team Year 4

Home Reading and Spellings:

*Reading at home on a regular basis is essential to help build their stamina and fluency. This can be reading independently, to an adult or sibling, or being read to.
*Spelling can be challenging for some children. We find the best way is to use lots of regular practise. We have spelling lessons at school, but it is helpful to practise these at home too. On teams, we share the list of word we are currently working on. Here is a link to a website with lots of spelling games which might be helpful too.

[Spelling and Grammar, English Games for 7-11 Years - Topmarks](#)

Maths:

Our Year 4 Times Table assessment is drawing closer and we really encourage you to practise these at home.

TT Rockstars is not the only way to do this. Not all of our children like TT Rockstars so if this is the case they will need to find other ways to practise them. Verbal recall is still one of the best ways to do this. Doing these regularly is the key to success!

In the assessment, they have 5 seconds to read, calculate and type their response to questions up to 12×12 .

Termly Home Learning:

These are optional pieces of work which the children can complete at home to help enrich their learning from school. We would always encourage children to immerse themselves in what interests them - so these are just some ideas. Please bring in and share any extra work or projects you are doing at home - we love to see them!

HOME LEARNING PROJECT IDEAS



Complete lots more times table practise! You can use TT Rockstars the garage, saying them with your adults, writing them out etc.

There are lots of other websites to help you too. Perhaps try www.timestables.co.uk



We will be learning about the Vikings this half term. Some ideas of home learning you could do: create a Viking longship, craft some brooches in the Viking style or even make some runes.

Even more Viking crafts... you could also make a Viking inspired shield or helmet or even do some cooking and create an authentic Viking loaf of bread.



In Science we will be learning about adaptation. To explore this further you could: create fact file about an animal and how they've adapted to their environment.



In art we are making a sculpture inspired by Barbara Hepworth. You could do some more research about Barbara or even research other ceramic artists.

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WHEN WE HAVE TO
STAY WHERE WE ARE.