



Orchards Junior School

Year 4 teachers:
Miss Martin (Year Leader)
Mr Cave
Mrs Charlton/Mr Hall
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Mrs Shackman

Key dates:

Entertaining the Troops evening- 7th February
Half term Fri 9th- Fri 16th
World Book Day Thurs 1st March (Book Fayre)
Children to dress as a Book Character
Parent Consultation Day – Thursday 15th March
Arts Festival- Tuesday 27th March
INSET Day – Thursday 28th March
Easter holidays – Friday 29th March- Monday

Year 4 Curriculum Outline – Spring 2018

English & languages

- Iron Man- including: description/persuasive/report writing.
- Performance poetry- visit from a performance poet. Letter writing and poetry writing.
- Grammar and spelling lessons every week.
- Spanish- ages, birthdays and dates.

Maths

- Place value -Ordering numbers including negatives, estimating and approximating. Shape...2D, 3D.
- Addition, subtraction, multiplication and division - mental and written methods of calculation
- Fractions - ordering and simple notation. Handling data, measuring and recording length, reading time

Science & Technology

- Famous Scientists and Inventors, and how they changed the world.
- Sound- inside the human ear. How does sound travel?
- Designing and creating our own school website and creating animation.

History, Geography R.E.

- World War Two
- Fairtrade
- The importance of Easter to Christians. Muslim beliefs - Fasting and Feasting. Ramadan. Islamic community.

Art, Design & Music

- Textile work - Colour resists/designing/ printing/simple batik/embellishing on calico. Clay work linked to the Iron man.
- Singing- World War Two based songs from the 40s.
- Structure- photo frames

P.E. & PHSCE

- OAA - orienteering.
- Indoor athletics - jumping and throwing.
- Mindfulness, families and friends.

Miss Martin says...

Wishing everyone a happy new year! Looking back, our Christmas concert was a real treat, with excellent performances all round. The reindeer run was an excellent day too – fantastic fundraising.

We have started 2018 as we mean to go on... lots of hard work, fun and achievements! Move It was an amazing show and the Year 4 children that participated should be really pleased with themselves. The children who remained in school also produced some brilliant DT projects. I have been so impressed with the standard of writing the children have produced throughout our Iron Man topic, and it's evident that everyone has been working really hard in lessons across the curriculum. We have had lots of outstanding Iron Man homework projects handed in too – from cakes to model iron hands, they have been a joy to see.

Our entertaining the troops evening was such a special event, lots of very proud teachers and parents, and lots of talented children. We still have the Arts Festival to come, another entertaining evening for all. What a busy time - keep up all the hard work and keep *sparkling*!

Let us know what you think: Is there an aspect of our topics that your child is particularly interested in? What would they really like to find out/explore/investigate? Are they already an expert/skilled in any of these areas?

Child's name:

Class:

Comments:



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