

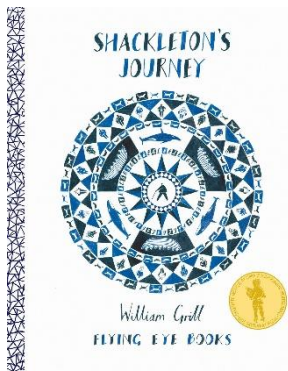
Year 4 Curriculum Newsletter

Summer Term 2026

Welcome back to school, I hope you have had an amazing Easter holiday - I hope we can all look forward to some wonderful weather to refresh us all. We have, again, lots of exciting things to look forward to this term, which you can read about in this newsletter. If you don't already do so, please follow us on X to see what exciting things we get up to! @CCCRPRIMARY.

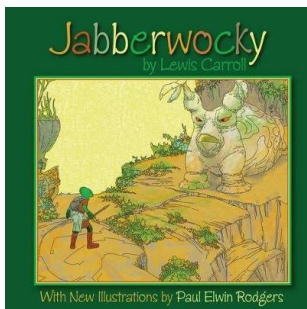
English

In English this term, our work will be based around these texts: 'Shackleton's Journey', written by William Grill and 'Jabberwocky', written by Lewis Carroll.



Whilst studying Shackleton's Journey, we will look carefully at Shackleton's hazardous expeditions using both formal and informal letters, finishing with our own newspaper reports about his

famous journeys. Jabberwocky will support our growing poetry knowledge and we will create our own non-sense verse about a gruesome creature.



Throughout this term, we will look at additional texts that will develop our grammar and spelling skills, focusing on root words and spelling patterns, and further

improving our noun and adverbial phrases.

How to help your child in English

Read with your child at least three times per week. Discuss tricky vocabulary and ask your child questions about the story they are reading. You can also practice the Year 3 and 4 spelling words sent home with the homework pack.

Maths

During Summer 1, we will begin with a focus on our times table and multiplication skills to allow us to develop our understanding of multiples and factors whilst also allow us to develop our recall speed. We will be focusing on all times table multiplication facts and associated division facts. We will move onto sequences of numbers, including negative numbers, before introducing fractions and decimals.

In all our topic areas we will be developing and improving our understanding of how to approach reasoning problems and will be revising problem solving techniques.

In Summer 2, we will continue to look at multiplication and division, focusing on mental and written methods. We will be extending our experience of addition and subtraction with a focus on multi step problem solving. We will then be looking at shapes and statistics, including bar and line graphs.

Again, a large focus in our maths topics will be the application of our skills using reasoning and problem solving skills. We will continue working on choosing the best method to solve a calculation and work on our mental arithmetic strategies.

How to help your child in maths

Encourage your child to play on Times Tables Rock Stars. This term we will be revising all our times tables along with developing our fact recall speed for both the multiplication and associated division facts.



Geography / History

In Geography, we will focus our learning of the South American continent by study the fascinating Amazon Rainforest. We will also compare it to a forest in Britain.

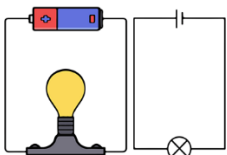


In History, we will finish the year by looking our local history and the cotton trade.

Computing

In computing, we will investigate effective searching and how we can trust the sources of information. We will also look at different types of animation, including onion skinning and stop motion.

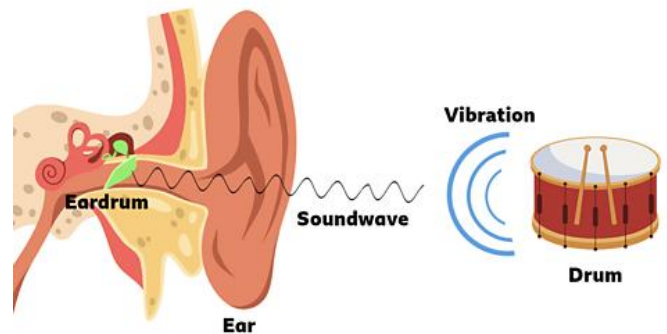
Art and DT



In DT, we will be looking at creating a simple game by interrupting a circuit. In Art, we will be making tints and tones to create an ombre effects whilst exploring the works of other artists.

Science

During Summer 1, we will identify common appliances that run on electricity, recognize that a switch opens and closes a circuit, and discuss common conductors and insulators.



During Summer 2, we will identify how sounds are made, recognize that vibrations travel from a source to the ear, and find patterns between pitch and sound from the objects that produced it.

PSHE

Our PSHE lessons will focus on how we can be our best-selves, making choices, and looking at our school community.

RE

Our R.E topic this term focuses on the question: Are all Churches the same? This will give us a great opportunity to look at the different places people worship and consider the similarities and differences of them.

PE

In PE this term we will be having a visiting coach from Chorley Sports Partnership help us with our Rugby skills.

General Notices

- PE for this half term will be on a Mondays and Thursdays.
- Ukelele will be changing to a Wednesday.
- Our Summer term homework grid is now available on the school website.
- Mrs Taylor will teach the children on a Tuesday and Thursday afternoon.
- If you have any questions, or if you would like any further guidance in supporting your child, please don't hesitate to come and speak to us!

Mr Porter & Mrs Taylor