Curriculum News

GREENFIELD LOWER SCHOOL

Year Four Spring Term

Literacy
We will be following the National Literacy Strategy with phonics, spelling, vocabulary, grammar and punctuation, comprehension & composition whilst covering novels about imagined worlds, sci-fi, fantasy adventures and stories in series. We shall also cover classic and modern poetry from different times and cultures.

Numeracy
We shall be continuing to develop addition and subtraction skills with numbers up to 1000. We will use the < and > symbols. Learning times tables is a priority and this knowledge will be used to solve multiplication and division problems. Negative numbers, scales, capacity, fractions, shape and area will be studied.

Science
We will be studying solids and liquids and their properties. We will find out about melting and freezing and separating mixtures of solids and liquids. After half term we will be studying friction, finding out how friction between solid surfaces can be increased.

DT
Develop a simple electrical control using a switch to make a light source.

R.E.
We will be learning about places of worship in different faiths. This will include religious artefacts, customs and prayer.

ICT
We will be using a modelling programme where we use directional commands to move around the screen in a given way. We will also be making and searching branching databases.

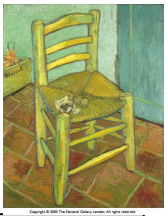
Geography
We shall be studying what is in the local and national newspapers, where places are and what is happening there. We shall look at weather reports and how weather varies around the world.

History
We will be studying the lives of the rich and poor in Tudor times and why Henry VIII married six times.

PSHCE
We will continue developing our understanding of values. We will also be discussing feelings, loss, separation and relationships.

P.E.
In games we will be learning the skills of hockey and tag rugby and using them in mini games. In gymnastics we will be using the floor and apparatus to explore different movements. We will develop our dance movements.

Music
We start the term with a drumming and dance from the Punjab project. Later we will develop the children's understanding of how sounds made on a range of instruments can be used expressively.



Art
We will explore the variety of designs of chairs and their uses. We will be sketching, designing and making our own 3D models.

How you can help:
Collect pictures of chairs. Collect interesting newspaper articles about geographical issues. Learn tables and halves/doubles of numbers up to 50, multiples of 10 to 500, and multiples of 100 to 5000. This is the term when we do projects. More news later!