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New City Primary School Year group: 4 Summer Term 2024

This term we are doing some very interesting and exciting things. We are keen to encourage parents and carers to help in their child's learning at home and as such we are providing you with this overview of what we shall be teaching at school. We also value any resources that you can contribute related to any of our topics. We also ask you to help us by making sure that all homework is completed. If you have any queries please feel free to have a chat with us.

English	Maths	Science
In English, we will be deepening our comprehension skills further by using a range of texts and inference. We will be exploring texts that create a dilemma such as 'Bill's new Frock' and 'My Dad's a Birdman'. We will also be introduced to and explore the themes within Shakespeare's 'Midsummer's Night Dream' as well as looking at the fantasy text 'Leon and the Place Between'. The children will also be exploring features of newspapers in Summer 2 through writing recounts of events.	In maths, the children will be developing their understanding of mathematics and deepening their ability to use a range of numeracy skills to solve problems. They will be recognising the place value of numbers up to 5 digits and beyond, including decimal numbers. The children will be developing their understanding of fractions and decimals and solve problems using reasoning and explanation.	In science, the children will be learning about living things and their habitats. They will be classifying and grouping invertebrates using classification keys. This will lead and link their learning on towards learning about the impact of humans on habitats and the world. In Summer 2, the children will be studying about environmental changes and how these changes occur across different seasons.
History & Geography	Music	Art & DT
In history, the children will be studying the industrial revolution and the impact of Isambard Brunel. By the end of the topic, the children will have a good idea of the impact of the Industrial Revolution on the world and us today. The geographical focus during the second half of term will be on climate change. We will carry out some fieldwork analysing the extent to which New City contributes to climate change.	In music we will be continuing to learn how to play the recorder, focussing on composing for a given scenario in Summer 1 and texture and playing individual parts within rhythmic texture in Summer 2. Please continue to encourage your child to practise at home and bring their recorder to school for their weekly lesson.	In DT, we will be researching types of bridges in Summer 1 before we design and build our own prototype. In Summer 2, we will be looking at how to make bread. In Art for Summer 1, we will be developing our art skills by creating pieces in the style of Lowry followed by looking at the street artist Roa and his influential pieces created around the cities of the world.
Computing	Religious Education	PSHE
In computing, the children start off their summer term by learning all about data logging, recognising how and why data is collected over time, before using the data loggers to carry out an investigation. They will then create a media unit, to capture and edit audio to produce a podcast, ensuring that they adhere to copyright rules.	In RE, the children will explore the Hindu faith. The children will be learning about the different Hindu Gods and how people worship. They will then develop their understanding to compare this to our own faiths. In the second half of the term, the children will be learning about marriage. The children will discover the importance of marriage and how it is celebrated in different faiths.	In PSHE, the children will consider how to identify and manage both positive and negative risks, including dares. They will also look at how to stay safe whilst cycling and basic first aid techniques. Also, the children will deepen their economic education by exploring hidden 'costs' in the home such as electricity and water bills. They will practise creating simple budgets and identify ways to support charities.
PE	Mandarin	Homework
In PE, the children will be developing their hand and eye coordination as well as their team skills through tennis and keep fit. Further development of their coordination will be achieved through athletics lessons, with a particular focus on jumping techniques. The children will then develop teamwork through orienteering.	In Mandarin, the children will be learning about food in Summer 1. In Summer 2, they will be building upon what they already learnt by consolidating their knowledge from this year. They will create a presentation all about themselves and their interest.	Each day children are expected to do some homework. Spellings and writing should be recorded in your child's homework book. Books will be changed regularly by the children. Please use the homework book to record any concerns or comments.
	Educational Visits	
	Planned visits linked to the curriculum areas being studied this summer term are due to take place. More detailed information (including where and when) will be provided nearer the time.	The homework schedule is as follows: Monday: Spelling Tuesday: Reading Wednesday: Maths Thursday: Mathematics & TTRockstars Friday: Long Writing

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