



Year 4 Curriculum Newsletter

Terms 5 and 6 – Hubble, Bubble, Bile and Burps



Food glorious food! This term is all about food, with a focus on how food is digested. In Science, we will also learn about the different types of teeth and how to care for them properly. We are planning a visit from a local dentist who will help us with this learning. In DT, we will be designing and making our own healthy smoothies and in art, we will be sewing our version of the digestive system. We look forward to sharing the learning with you.

The core areas of learning for this term are:

Numeracy - Mental Maths

Reading 3, 4 and 5 digit numbers.
Counting in 9s and the 9 x table.
Adding tenths.
Doubling and halving 3 digit numbers.
Number bonds to 1000.
Multiplying and dividing whole numbers by 100.
Write fact families for 2 digit numbers e.g. $30 \times 7 = 210$, $7 \times 30 = 210$, $210 \div 7 = 30$, $210 \div 30 = 7$
Add 2 multiples together e.g. $11 \times 32 = 11 \times 30 + 11 \times 2$
Finding multiples and factors.

Numeracy – Main Maths

Length.
Perimeter.
Area.
Mass.
Volume.
Statistics.
Shapes and angles.
Position and direction.
Lines of symmetry.

Science

The human body.
Digestion.
Teeth.

Using different methods of scientific investigation.

Computing

Developing our typing skills.
Ongoing use of Word.
Using the Internet safely.
Using Publisher.
Recording video and audio.

Literacy – Writing

Fiction:
Harry Potter and the Philosopher's Stone- J.K Rowling.
Poetry – Limericks.

Non-fiction:
Recount – Linked to Harry Potter.
Persuasion/ scripts – An advert for our healthy smoothies.

Literacy - Grammar and Punctuation

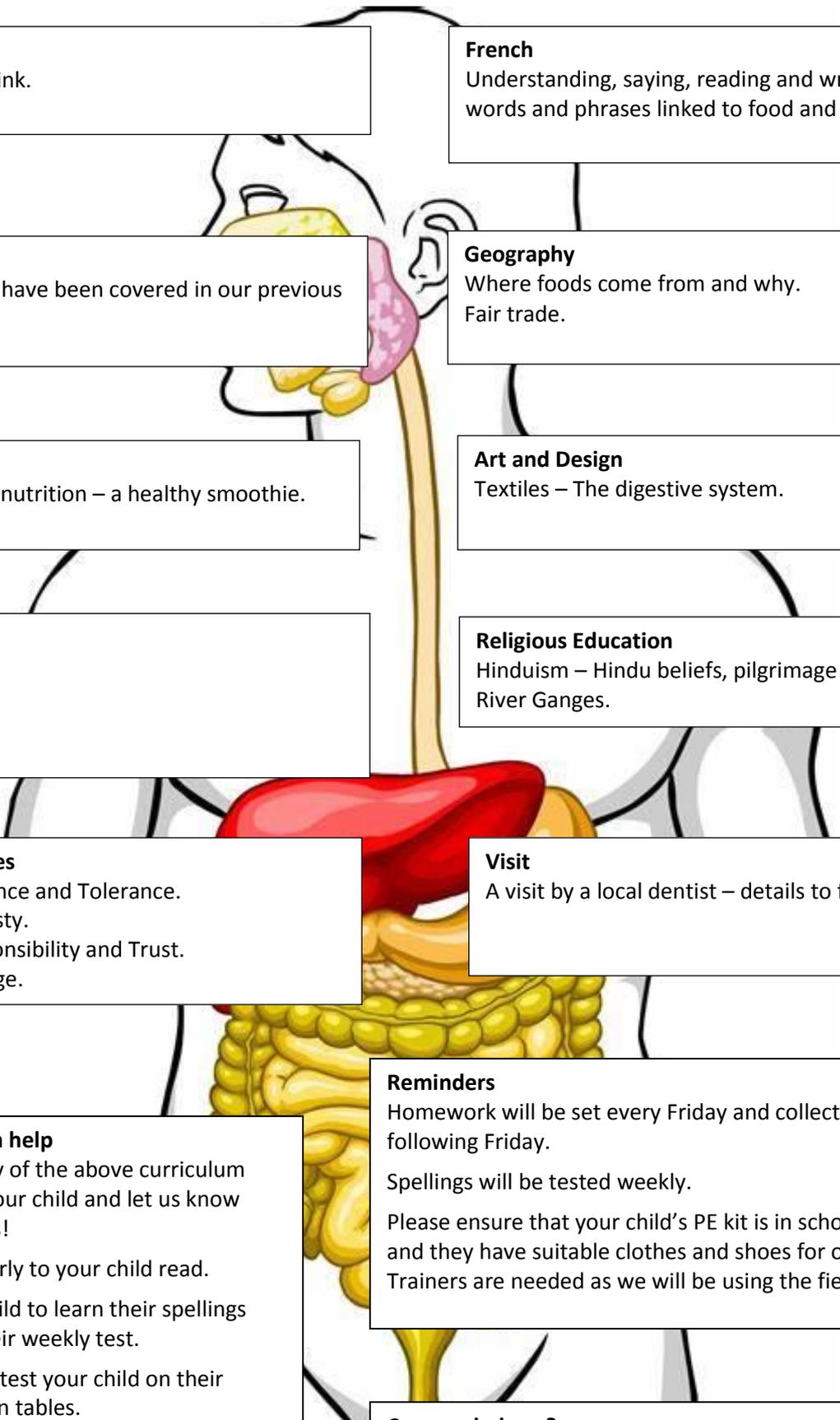
Compound/complex sentences.
Co-ordinating/subordinating conjunctions.
Expanded noun phrases.
Verbs.
Prepositions and prepositional phrases.
Tenses.
Using inverted commas and other punctuation to show direct speech.
Using apostrophes to show possession, including plurals
Adverbs.
Fronted adverbials.

Literacy - Spelling

Homophones.
Prefix 'auto', 'inter',
g sound spelt 'gue'
k sound spelt 'que'
Y4 key words.

Literacy - Reading

Reading with expression.
Retrieval – Quoting directly from the text to support and elaborate on ideas.
Exploration – Identifying relationships between characters and the effect that these have on the reader.
Analysis – Identifying the features of different fiction genres.
Deduction – Exploring alternatives that could have occurred in texts, referring to the text to justify ideas.



Music

Food and Drink.

French

Understanding, saying, reading and writing new words and phrases linked to food and drink.

History

History skills have been covered in our previous topic.

Geography

Where foods come from and why.
Fair trade.

DT

Cooking and nutrition – a healthy smoothie.

Art and Design

Textiles – The digestive system.

PE

Athletics.
Golf.
Basketball.
Rounders.

Religious Education

Hinduism – Hindu beliefs, pilgrimage to the River Ganges.

PSHE / Values

April – Patience and Tolerance.
May – Honesty.
June – Responsibility and Trust.
July – Courage.

Visit

A visit by a local dentist – details to follow.

How you can help

Research any of the above curriculum areas with your child and let us know your findings!

Listen regularly to your child read.

Help your child to learn their spellings ready for their weekly test.

Practise and test your child on their multiplication tables.

Encourage them to complete their homework.

Reminders

Homework will be set every Friday and collected in the following Friday.

Spellings will be tested weekly.

Please ensure that your child's PE kit is in school all week and they have suitable clothes and shoes for outdoor PE. Trainers are needed as we will be using the field.

Can you help us?

If you feel you can help us in any way with the work that we are covering, please let us know.