



LKS2 (Year 3 & 4)

Autumn Term One

Curriculum Overview

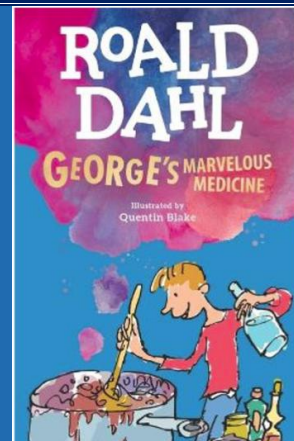


LARKS HILL
JUNIOR & INFANT SCHOOL

Welcome back to Larks Hill. I hope you have had a wonderful summer. I am delighted to be teaching the children again and look forward to building on the excellent progress made last year. This newsletter contains information about what you and, more importantly, your child should expect in Years 3 and 4 this half-term.

Reading, Writing, Maths and Science

In English, there will be an emphasis on strengthening our core reading and writing skills, not just in English but across all subjects. This will involve lots of reading across all lessons to develop our reading stamina, reading speed and improve our comprehension skills. This will be coupled with lots of spelling, punctuation, grammar and handwriting work to ensure children have the necessary skills to write successfully and with increasing independence. Our class text, *George's Marvellous Medicine* by Roald Dahl, will form the basis for all our English work. In Maths, we follow the White Rose Maths Scheme, which can be viewed via their website. This means that in the Autumn term we will begin by developing our understanding of the number system and the value of numbers, before moving on to addition, subtraction, multiplication and division. In science, we will study 'Animals Including Humans'. We will begin by looking at the life processes that are common to all living things.



PE

Year 3 will have outdoor PE on a Monday, and indoor PE on a Thursday. Please make sure children bring their PE uniform on these days.

Year 4 will have indoor PE on a Tuesday, and outdoor PE on a Friday. Please make sure children bring their PE uniform on these days.

Please make sure all items of uniform are clearly named. If the weather is fine, PE may be outdoor for both sessions.

Homework

Weekly spelling lists will be given at the beginning of every half-term, with a spelling test each Friday.

Children should regularly practise times tables using TTRockstars. In Year 4, children will be preparing for the statutory multiplication tables check (MTC).

Other homework will be given as necessary to support in-class learning.

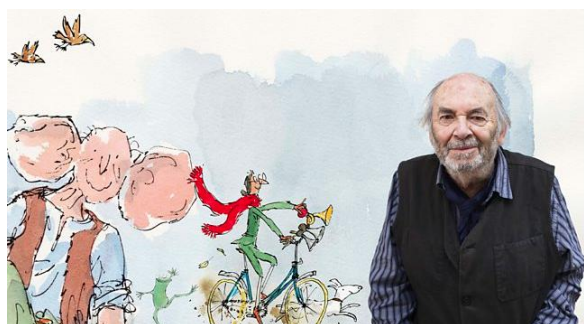
Please help and encourage your child to complete their homework and practise their spellings and times tables.

Please remember to sign your child's reading record when you have listened to them read and discussed what they have read.

How can I help my child?

Please check your child brings their reading book and reading record to school every day.

Please ensure children come to school with their PE kits when needed.



Other Subjects

In History, we will look at how crime and punishment has changed, or remained the same, through the ages – including Romans, Anglo-Saxons, Tudors and Victorians, and compare to law and order today. In Geography, we will be studying compass and map skills. We will use the main 8 compass points to locate places on maps and to give directions.

In Art, we will study the art of Quentin Blake, who illustrated several Roald Dahl's books. We shall look to create portraits in a similar style using pens, pencils, water colours and inks.

The focus for the half-term in computing is to understand how we can stay safe on-line, how to use the internet responsibly and to search safely and effectively.

Our School Website

www.larkshill.patrust.org.uk

If you would like to speak to us, please do not hesitate to catch us before or after school, make an appointment with the school office, or contact us directly via ClassDojo.

Best wishes,

Mr McIntyre and Miss Walsh